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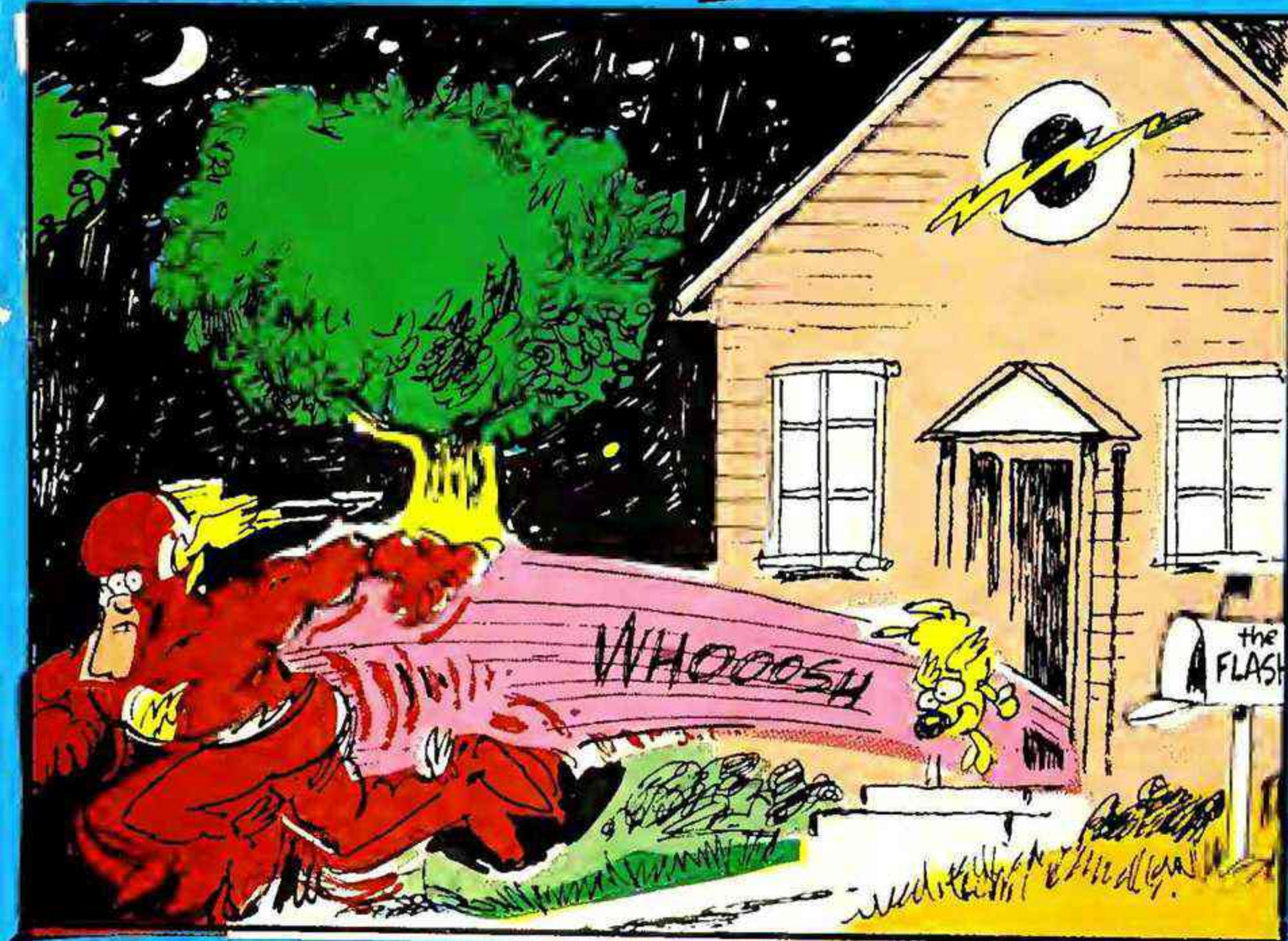
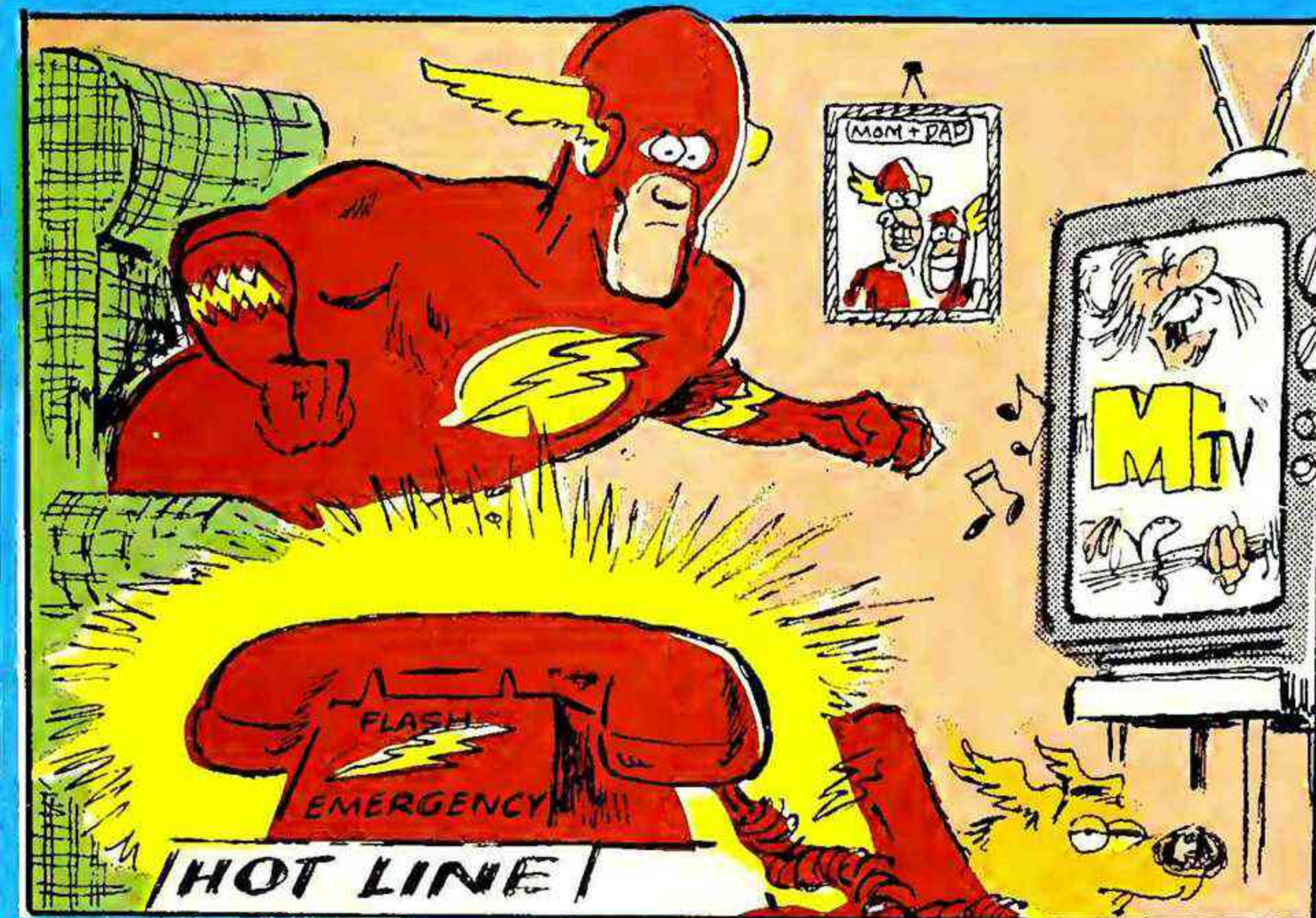
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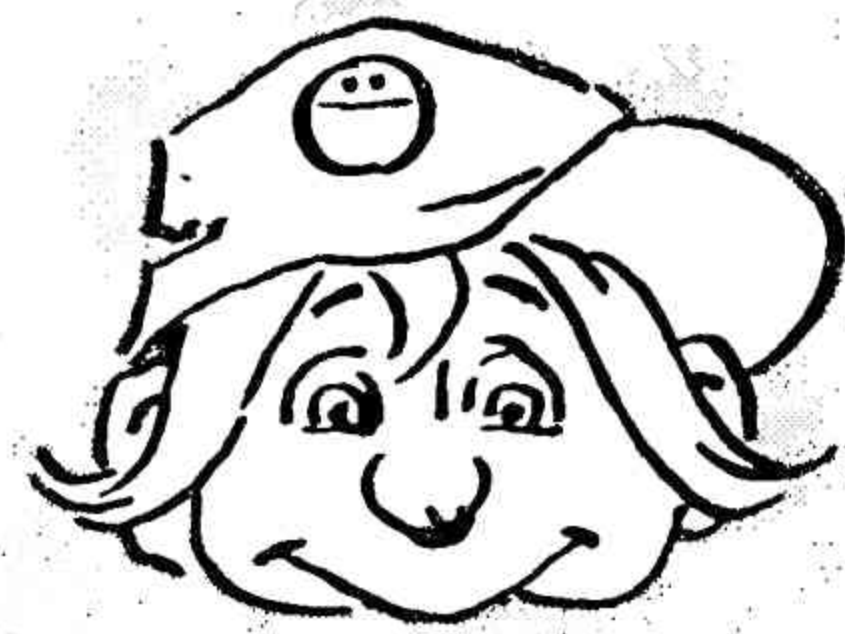
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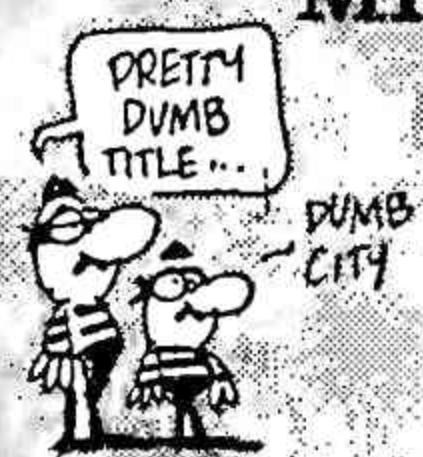
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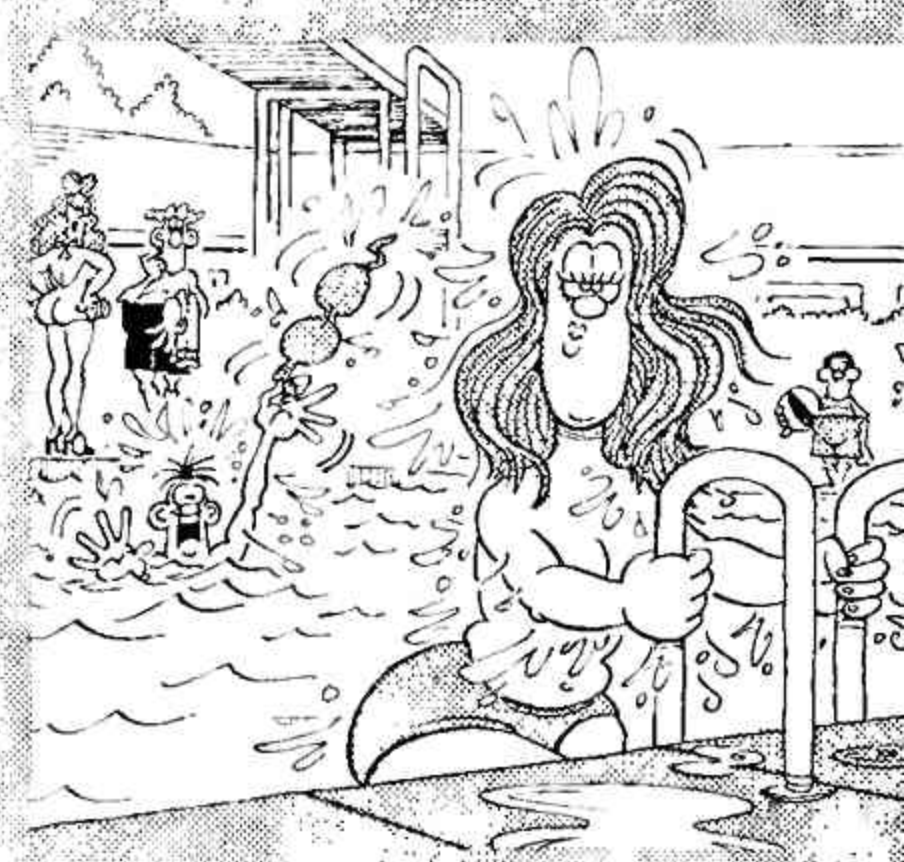
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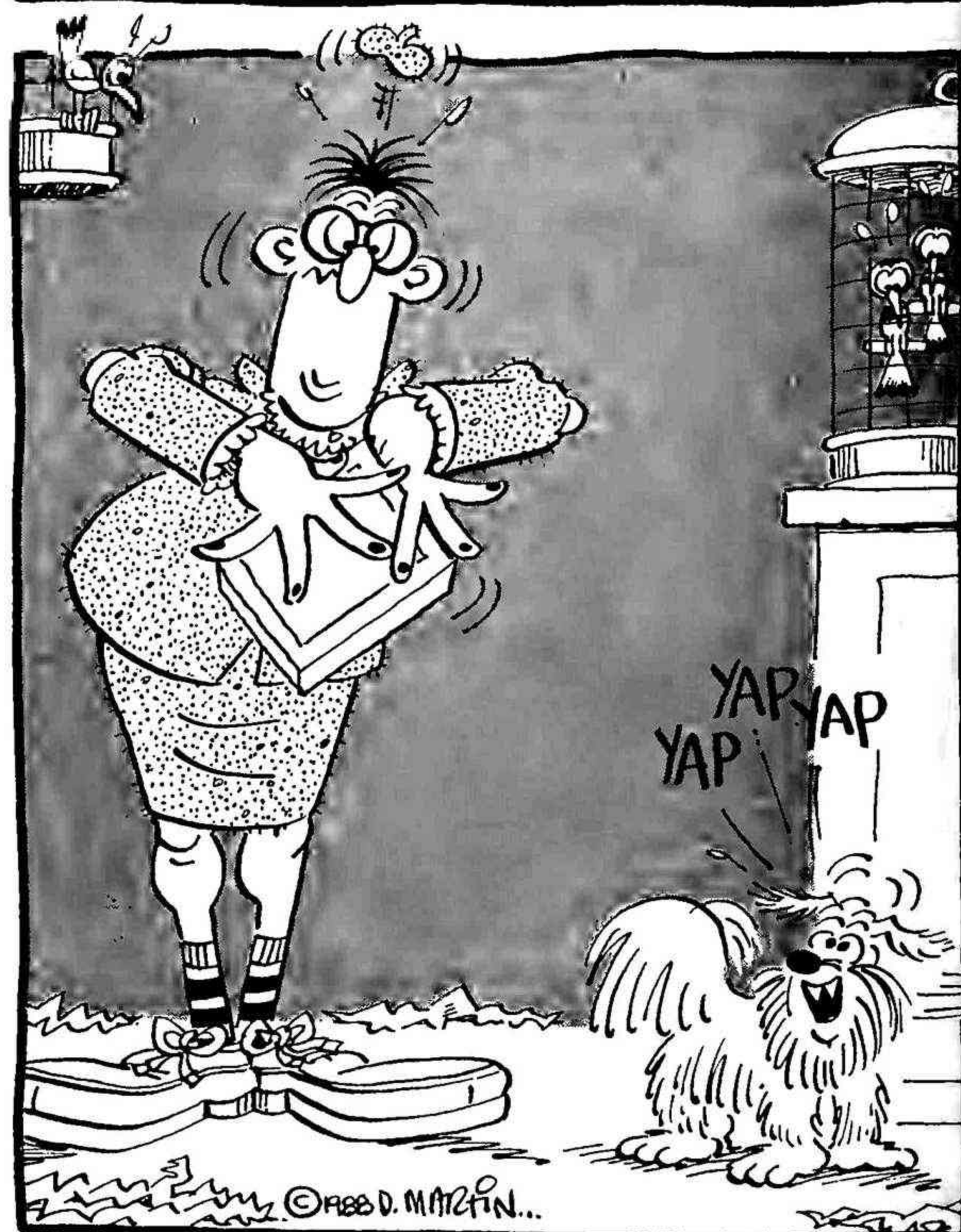
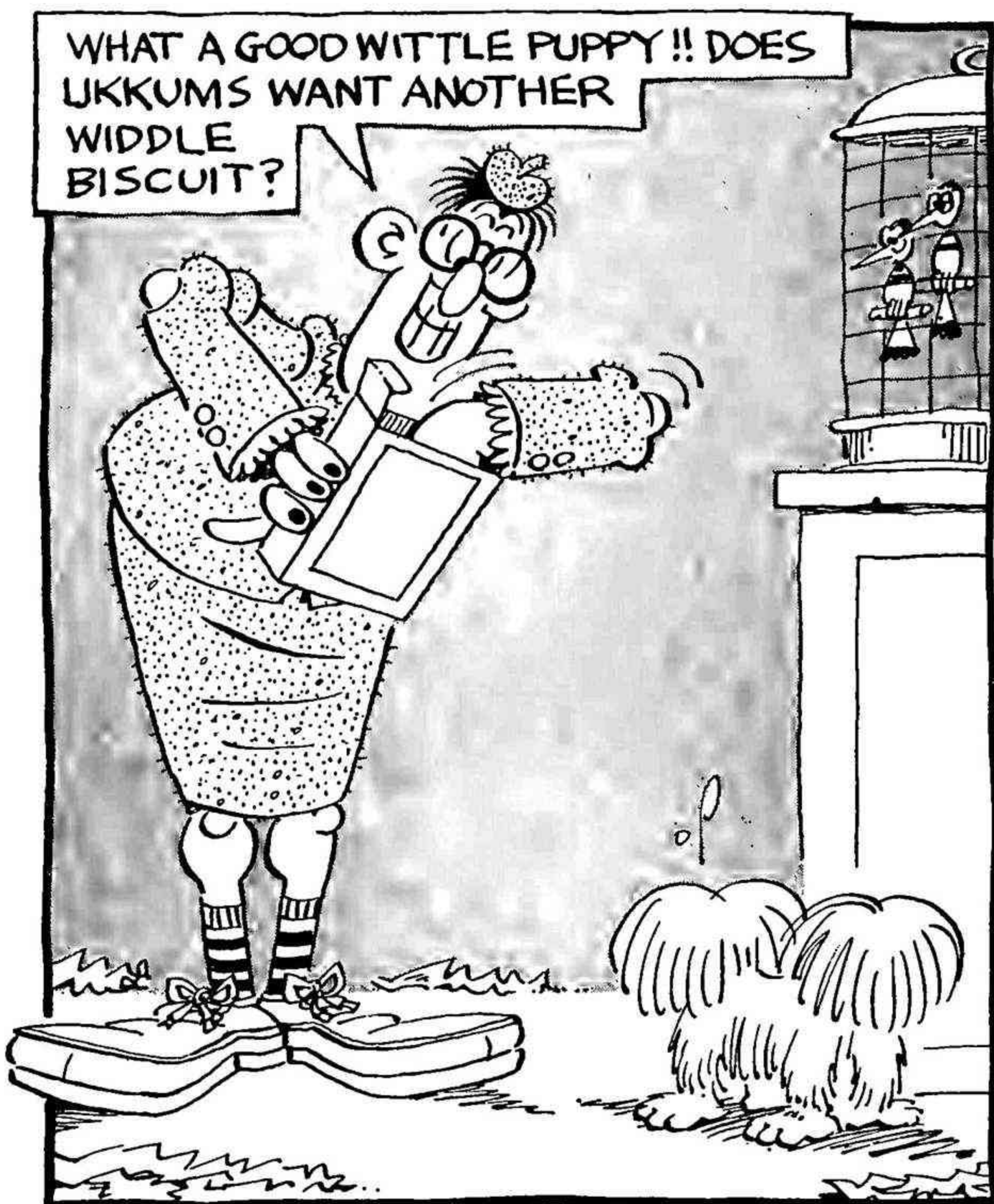
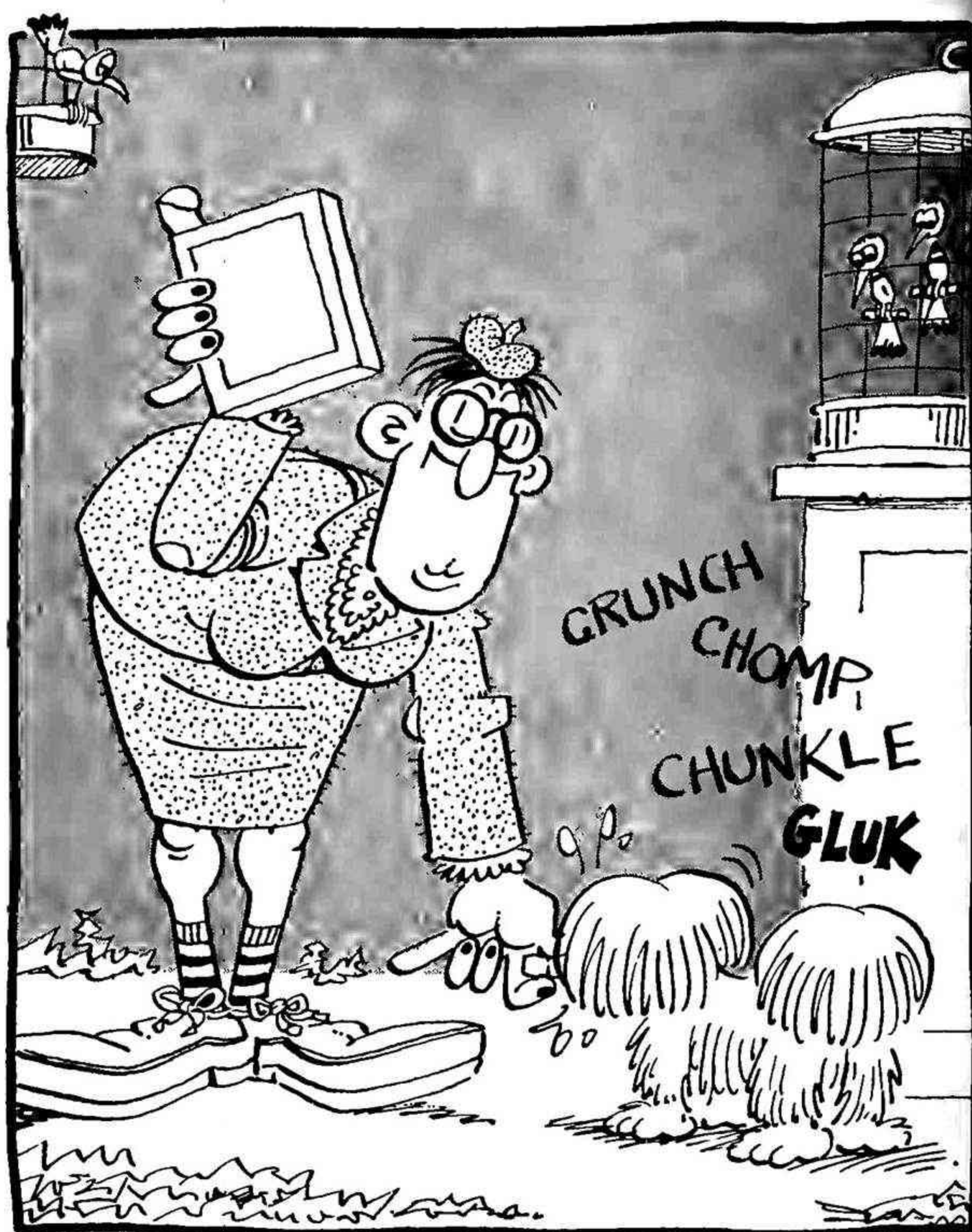
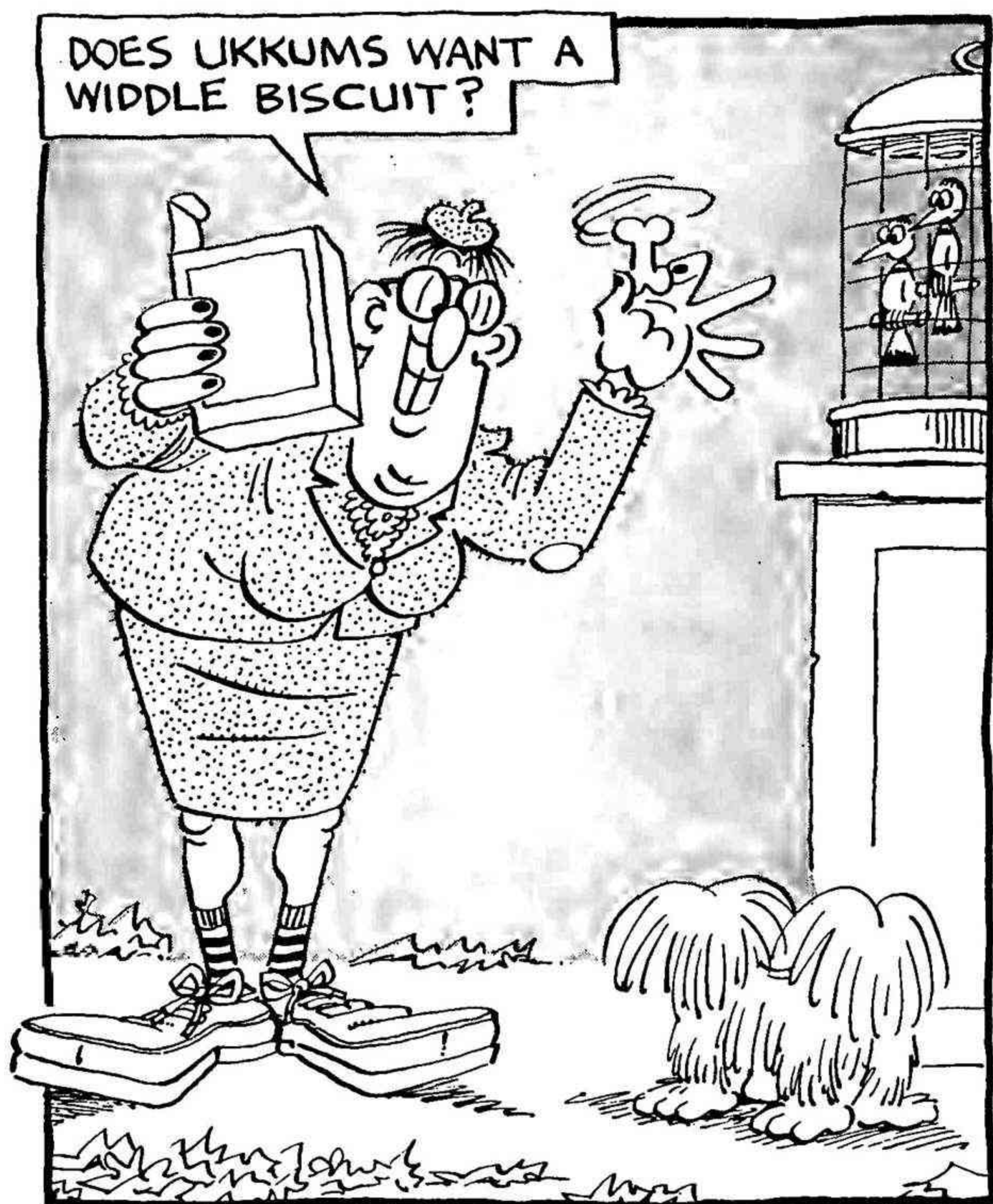


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# ONE FINE DAY IN A PET SHOP





BILLY the KID... DOC HOLLIDAY... names from the WILD WEST to conjecture with! While these were real characters from America's frontier days, they have absolutely NOTHING to do with these...

# YOUNG BUMS



Writer  
& artist:

RICK  
ALTERGOTT

We're the **Regulators!** The meanest, toughest, **orneriest**, and handsomest bunch of pretty boys you've ever seen in a Western picture!

As Regulators, we're paid to protect things...and our collective presence here is calculated to protect the Studio's investment in this kooky project! Actually, we're **hired guns**.

And that's just fancy talk for Trigger-Happy Killers, whut **regulate!**

You can call us **anything** you want, 'cept **Reg-u-Late** for Dinner!

Er, right! I'm **John Tungstun**, the legal custodian of these boys, **and** a stuffy Englishman...which is **why** I need their protection! Everyone in the Old West hates Limeys.

In my last film, I played a rude n' crude Rock n' Roller. Since then, I've found an even **more** anti-social thing to do than playing the guitar—

**throwing knives!**

I'm **William Bonney** and I've already **killed** a man! So I'm warning you folks in the audience not to turn around during the show. Y'see, I have the kinda quirky habit of shooting people in the back!



Good night, boys!

Look at Bonney, gang!

Wow! We're seeing a side of Billy that's never been recorded in the history books!

Right! Before he was **Billy the Kid**, he was **Billy the Infantile!**



Tungstun, I've come to attach your Ranch and other holdings to my own L.G. Murphy & Co.; and your pack of young, scroungy, horse thievin' **degenerates** ain't gonna stop me.

Oh, yeah? Izzat so?

That's right...so says **me** and my pack of **Older** scroungy, horse thievin' degenerates.





Here it is, New Year's Eve in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and the two rival factions have kissed n' made up 'n' are getting on like there's no tomorrow!

That's especially true in Tungstun's case, Mayor, 'cause we's a gonna kill him tonight!

Chavez is ready to bury the hatchet...

Yeh, in that Murphy gang member's head!

...Young Doc Scurlock has done found hisself a purty lil' China Girl...

You mean L. G. Murphy's mistress?

Billy the Kid's teaching the rival gang a new Dance Step...

With his Six-Shooter!

...and I hear tell that Murphy's men, Baker and Morton've invited Tungstun to an after-party celebration...

Yeh...a necktie party!

...so with everyone so chummy, well, I don't see no cause t'worry about no Lincoln County War!



Tungstun, we promised Mr. Murphy we'd kill yuh!

You boys may be vicious, blood-thirsty, low-born murderers on the downside, but on the upshot, at least you're no liars!



Ok, gang, as your new leader, (cause I gots top billing) I say we's gonna take revenge on Murphy's gang, but it'll take time—we gotta practice!

Practice whut? Our gun-fightin'?

That's important, Brewski, but first y'all gotta learn somethin' more important

How to scowl on command! Ready? One, Two, Three...



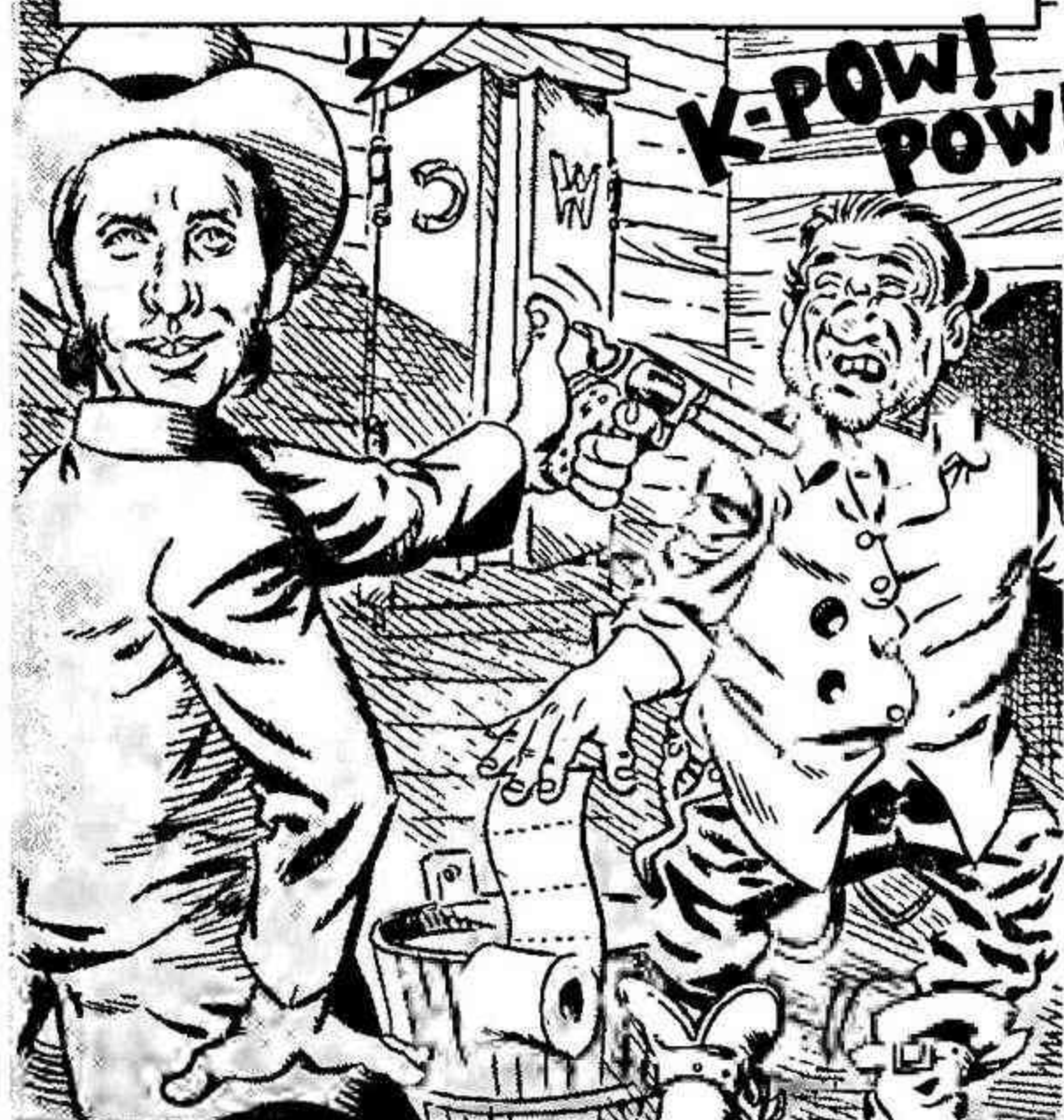
Scowl!

I LIKED THIS SATIRE... I GIVE IT A THUMB UP...

IT'S OK... BUT NAWNY PICKERING ISN'T IN IT...



Haw Haw! Tough luck, fella, ya died with your boots on but yer pants down! Not only that, but yer also under arrest! Haw! How's that fer gallows humor, folks?!



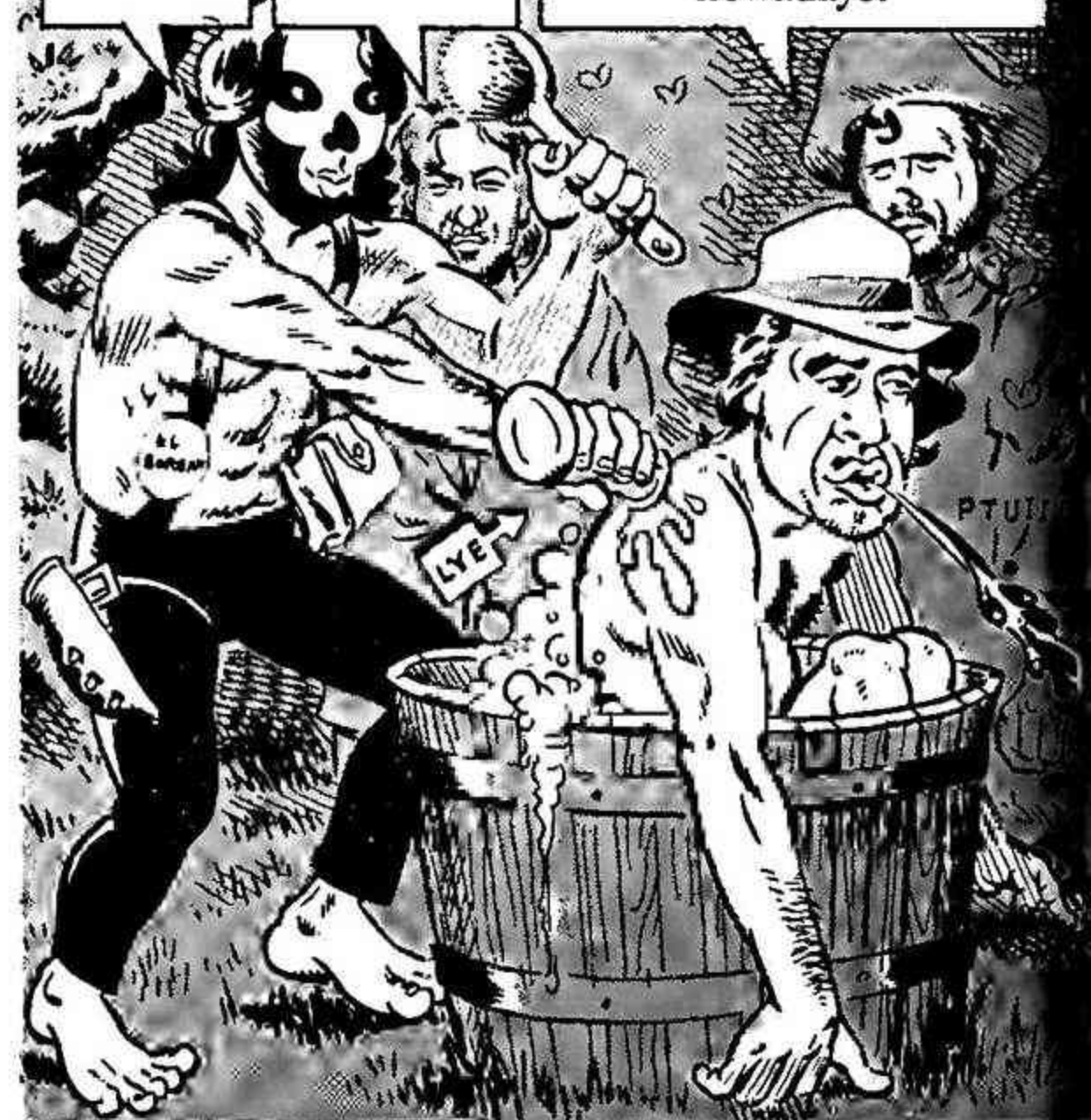
Before we continue with our wanton and reckless orgy of Death, we're gonna try something brand new. It'll be a totally new experience for all of us! You first, Stinking Dirty Steve!



That's right! A bath!

I though we was gonna try Peyote!

What's so new about that? Every youth culture movie has a crummy drug scene nowadays!





We've got Huck-a-Buck Roberts cornered in the Smoke House.

He's in there looking for some paper towels to dress his chest wound!

That's what you call a real **Bounty** hunter!



Huck-a-Buck Roberts killed Dick. The guy was like a brother to me!

Ah, shet up an' let me die in Peace, ya cornball!



As the last of my people, I must follow my instincts lest the ever-lovin', life-giving Coil be broken. Yep! California, here I come!

Ya Chicken! Stick around and let's continue our murderous rampage!

Also... there's a Casting Director I gotta see in Hollywood about my next picture!



Gee, with none of my pals around to react to, all I can do is stand around here and be more boring than usual!



I Luv ya, Baby, an' you're gonna come with me! We'll hop a freight train t'New York and start a new life in a sleazy tenement flat! Romantic, huh?

What's going on in there?

Er...uhh ...just trying to get some Chinese Take-Out!



Let's just forget for a moment that I've got a \$500 price tag on my head, and have some fun in this house of ill repute which is frequented by every Bounty Hunter in the Territory!

Not to mention that **other group** that's after us—**Truant Officers!** We ain't been t'school since the movie began!



Waitress, bring me a root beer and a shot!

Stranger, this here is the gun I'm gonna kill Billy the Kid with!

You ain't seen him around these parts, have yuh, Stranger?

He's about your size and build...



...n' he's fond of whistlin' them sad lonesome ballads of the frontier West. You sure you ain't seen him, Stranger?!





Here's your root  
beer, Kid!

Thanks, doll! Now here's my shot! Sheesh! Wotta moron!  
C'mon gang, let's git!



Thet skunk, Pat Garrett led us  
into an ambush here in the  
Lawyer McSweenie's house! If I  
ever see him again, I'm gonna  
hafta shoot him in the back!

But on the bright side, McSweenie is a  
lawyer with the American Civil  
Liberties Union! All we hafta do is  
convince him that we're Underdogs—like  
the KuKlux Klan and the Skinheads—and  
he'll defend us!



Oh, uh! McS'weenie just stopped a bullet! Forget  
that idea!

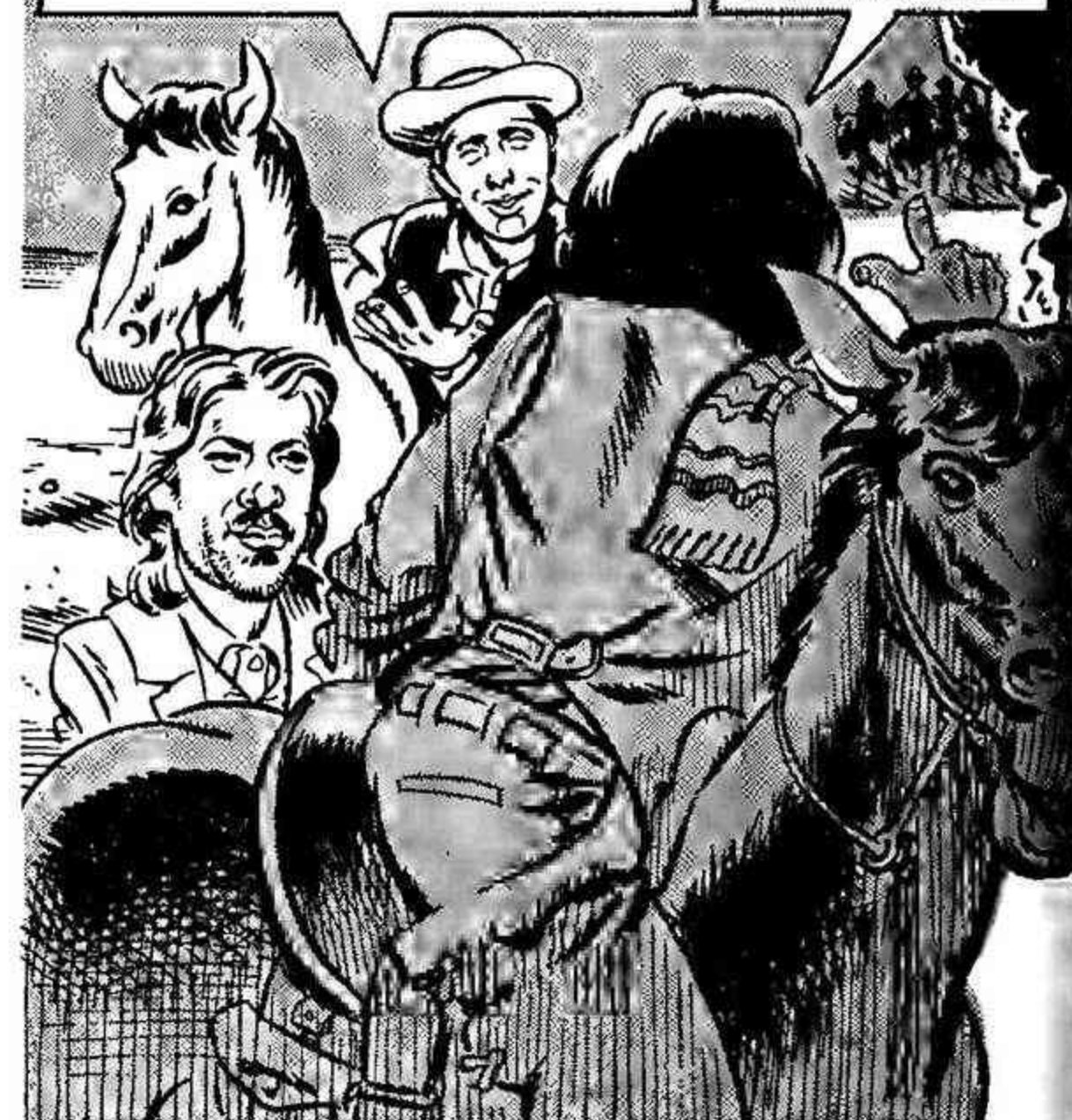


Ok, Young Uns! It's up to us now! Gear up and  
we'll rush 'em!



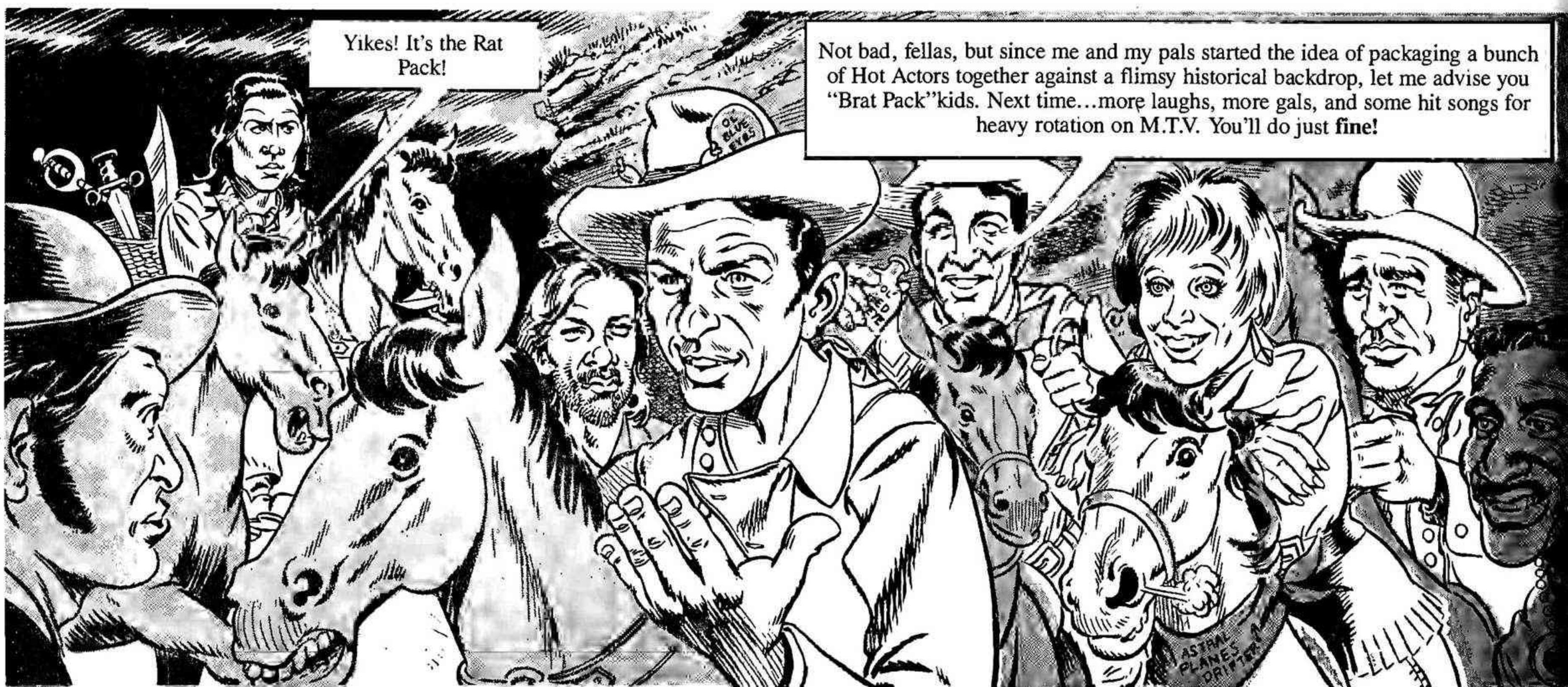
Well, we did it! Against  
insurmountable odds, we got  
past the Sheriff's Posse and the  
entire Ninth Calvary!

Not so fast,  
Kid, a gang of  
riders is  
approaching  
from the West!

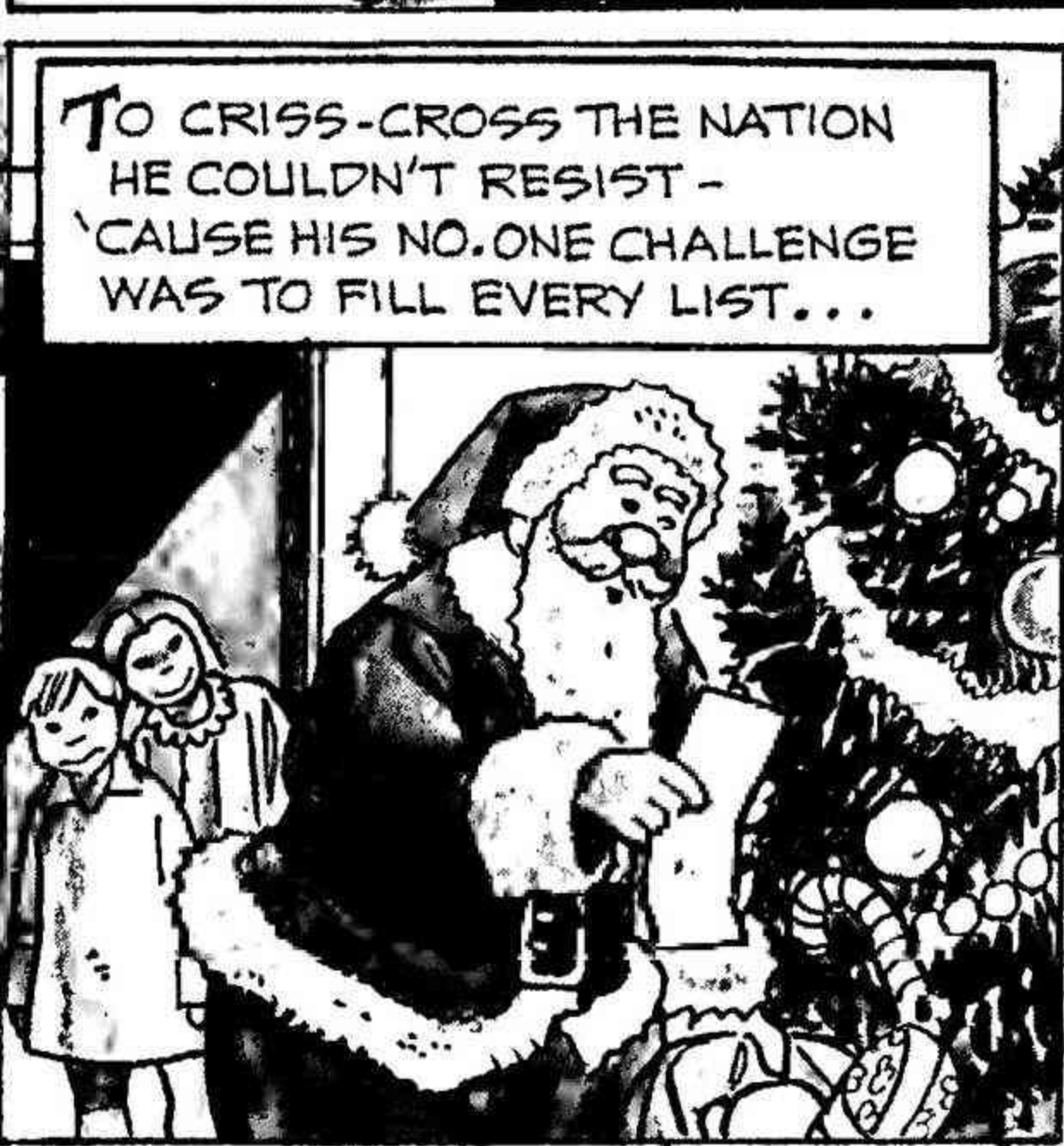
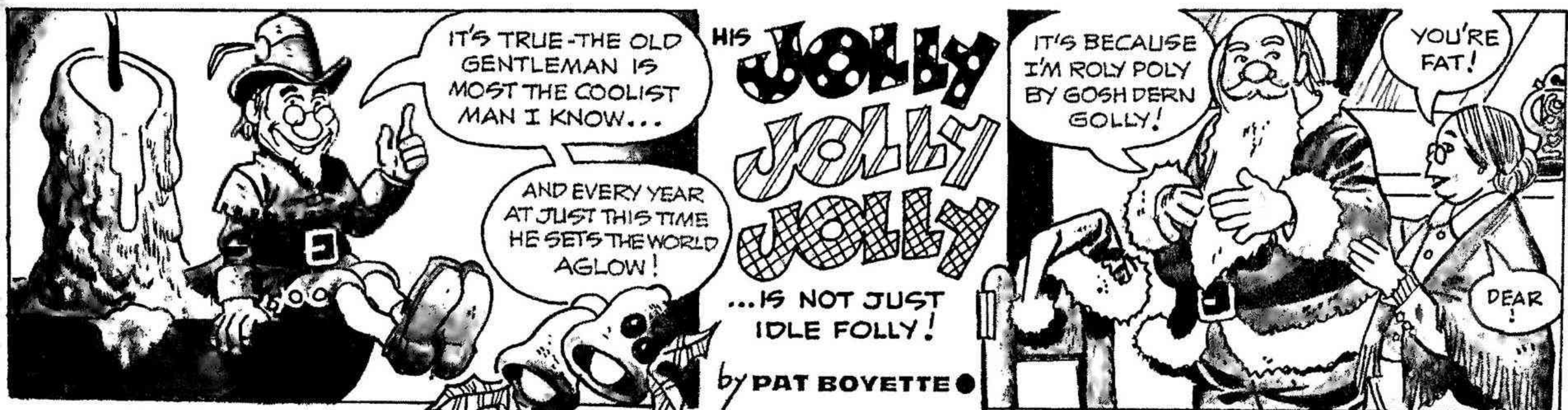


Yikes! It's the Rat  
Pack!

Not bad, fellas, but since me and my pals started the idea of packaging a bunch  
of Hot Actors together against a flimsy historical backdrop, let me advise you  
"Brat Pack" kids. Next time...more laughs, more gals, and some hit songs for  
heavy rotation on M.T.V. You'll do just fine!









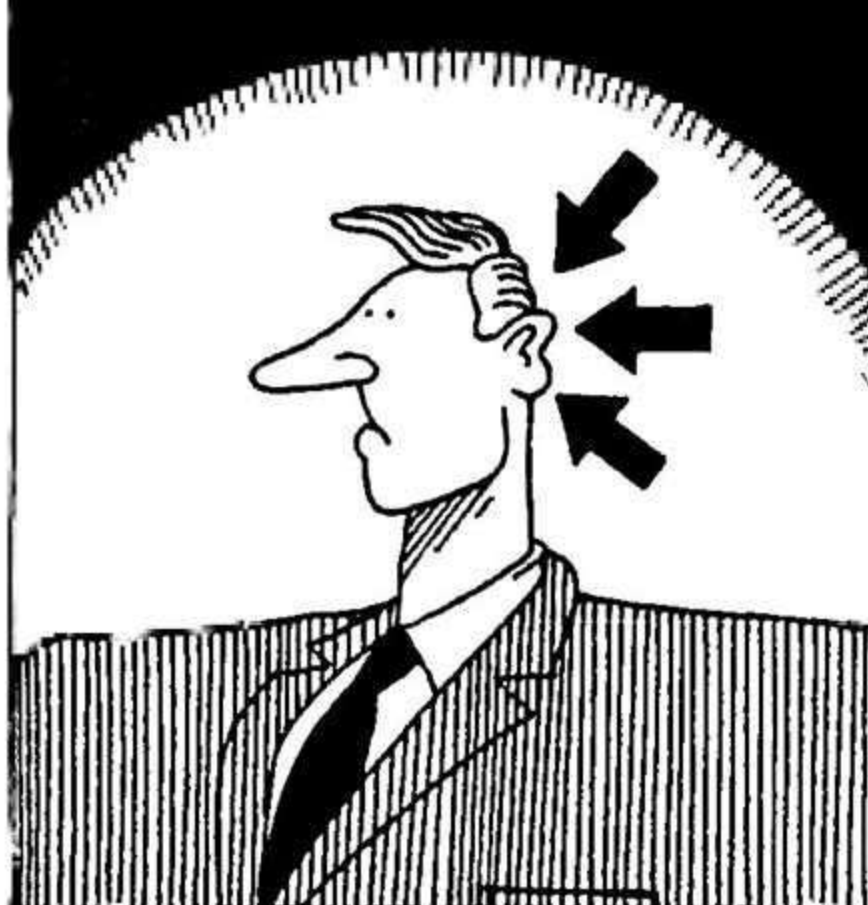
# MERVIN MOHAIR'S POWER! by BANX

Following freak exposure to radiation which had leaked through a hole in the ozone layer...



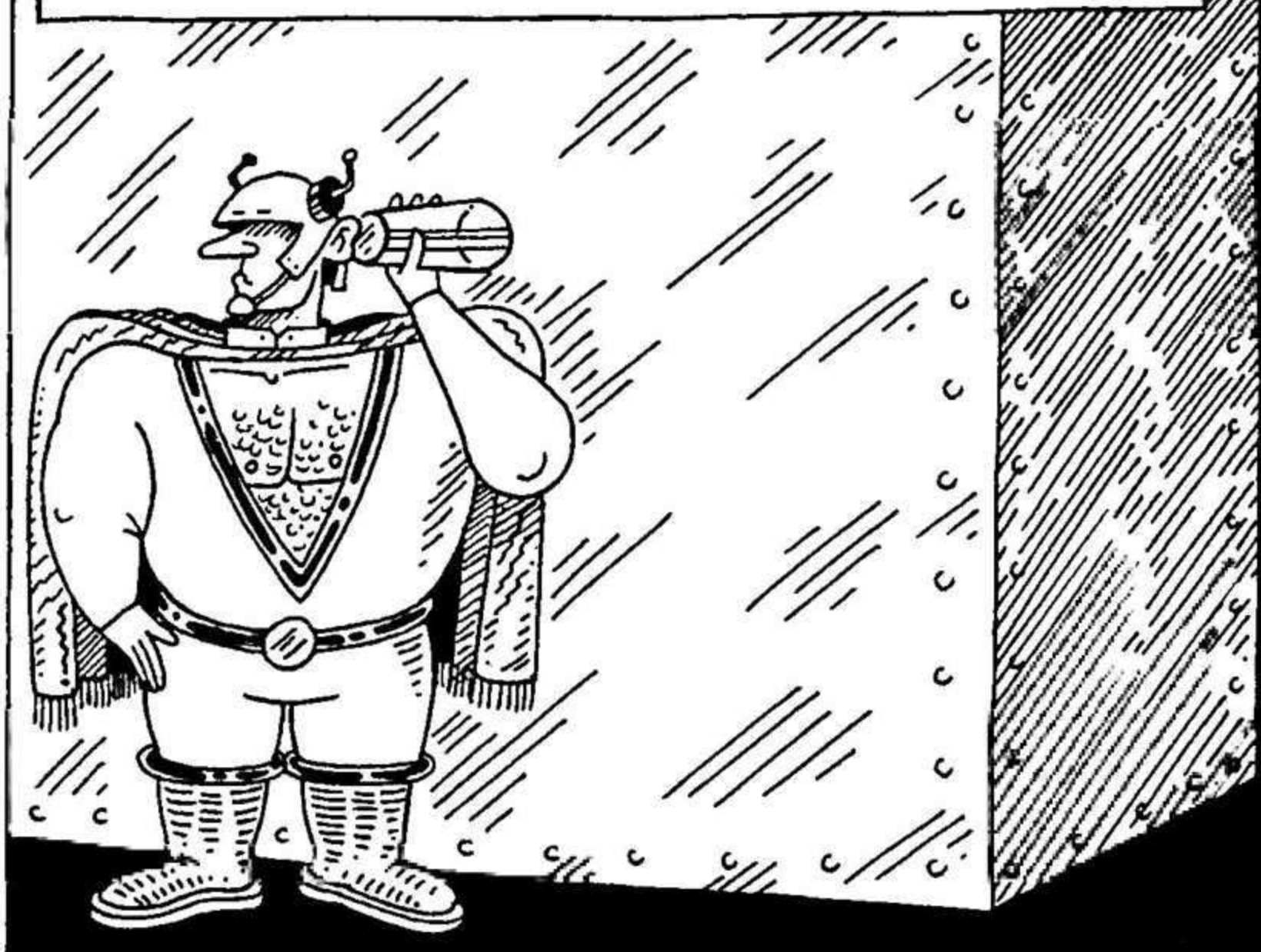
...Mervin Mohair was blessed with extraordinary super powers!

...But only in one ear!



He used his powers to become a masked avenger!

Mervin Mohair's super ear could eavesdrop through five feet of solid titanium!



His ear could fly and carry enormous weights...such as Mervin Mohair, himself!

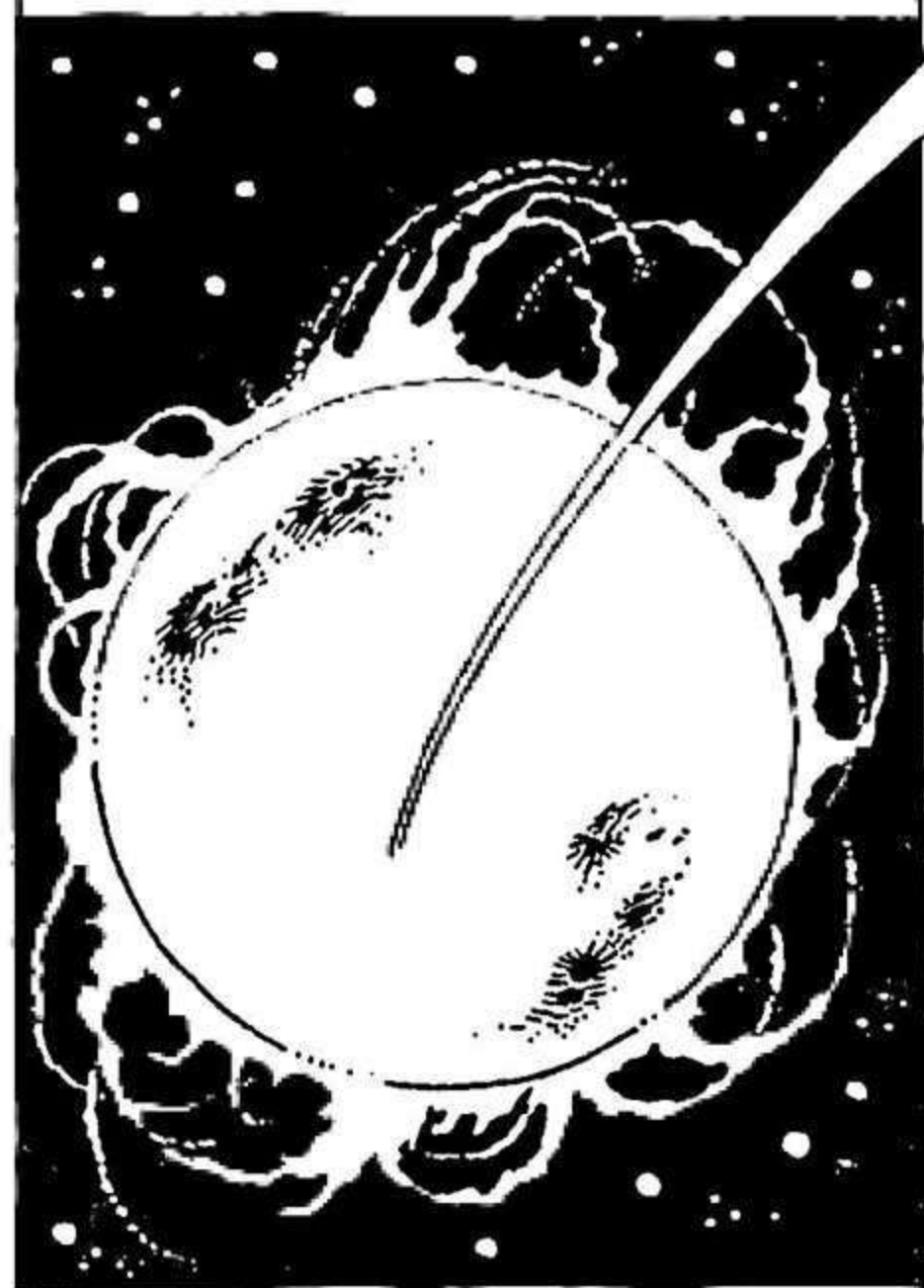


His ear could transmit heat-hearing rays to zap any masked miscreant!



Take that, Doctor Evilment!

His ear could plunge into the searing heart of the sun!



This was an ear that righted wrongs and fought for freedom, justice and the American way!



But it could never live down the embarrassment of being attached to a frazzled corpse!

Oh, him? He's not with me exactly... Hey, did I ever tell you how I crushed the Ping Pong Men of Planet X?



And Mervin Mohair also lost his job as cub reporter for the Daily Eclipse!



There are many things you can count on around Christmastime...you're going to get a lot of useless stuff that you don't want and they're going to show the same old crummy holiday films on TV! CRACKED thinks it's about time they remade some of these movies so they can be understood by today's audiences. That's why we're giving a special holiday present to our readers (talk about useless gifts!). Anyway, join us for a special CRACKED holiday double feature! First up, our version of A Christmas Carol...



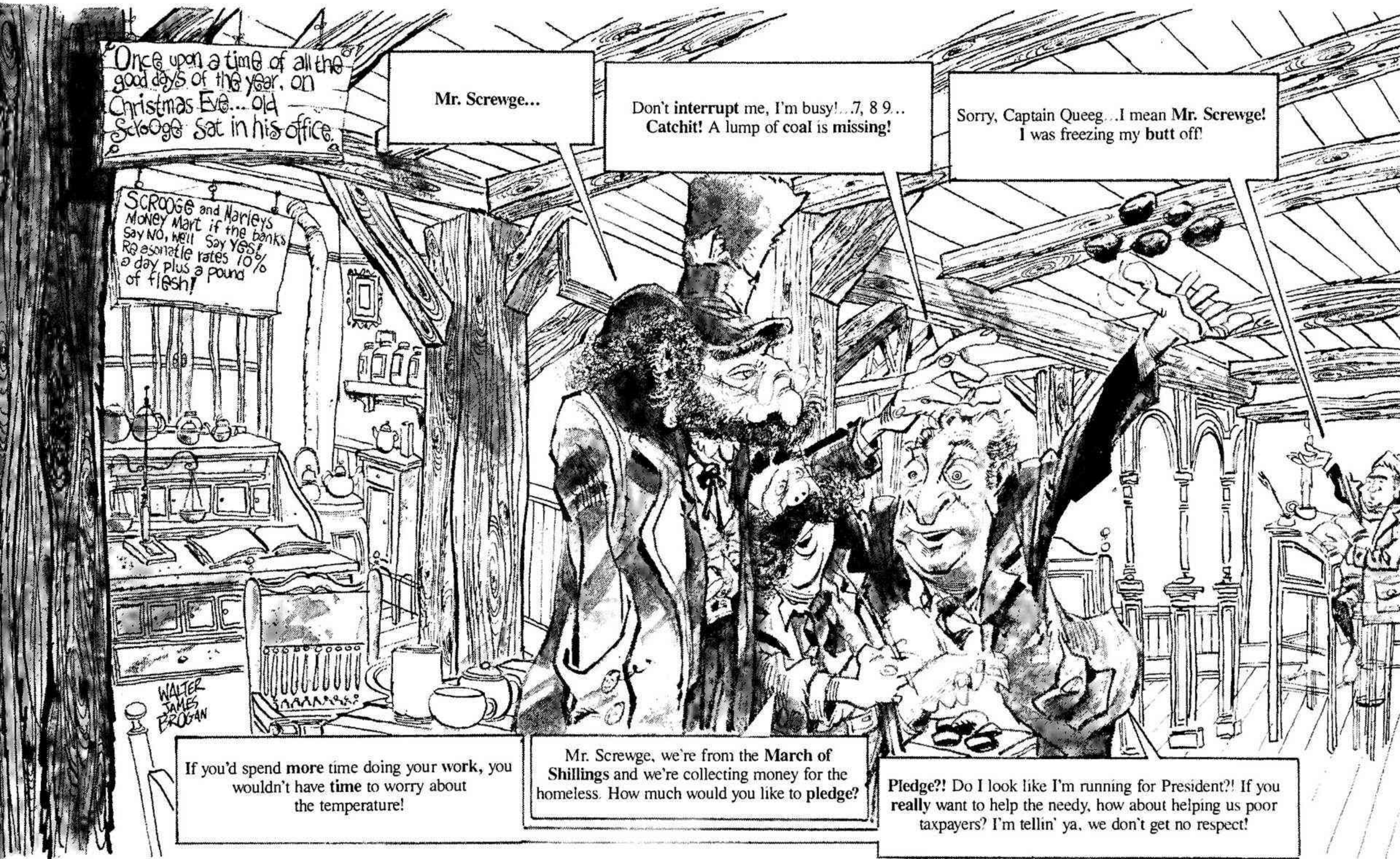
# SCREWGE



Charles Dickens was dead to begin with; There's no doubt about that and it's a good thing, too, because he won't be able to see how we're **butchering** his classic Christmas Carol. Marley was dead also. Dead as a doornail! In life, Marley had been Screwge's partner...

Vic Bianco writer

Wally Dickens Brogan artist







You're not Santa Claus!

Riiight! And I'm not Frosty the Snowman neither! I'm Jacob Marley, your old partner!

I never should've eaten that Big Mac on the way home! The special sauce never agrees with me! But I couldn't pass up gettin' one of those free Roger Rabbit glasses!

Ebenezer, my man, I am here to help you! You're gonna have three visitors!

Three?! I can't stand so much excitement! Besides, at my age, one will be too much!

I'm not talkin' 'bout ladies, bro! You're gonna be visited by three spirits! Have a nice night! Heee hee heee!!

THIS IS A MURDER... NOTHING IS ACTUALLY GOING ON IN THIS PANEL... YOU'VE HAD TOO MUCH GUM IF YOU SEE ANYTHING!



What a ghastly laugh! I must be having a nightmare!

Nightmare?! Ha ha ha! Scrawge, I'm the Ghost of Christmas Past!

Hey, Ghost! Who does your nails? Elvira? You'd better be careful when you go to the john!



Ebenezer Scrawge...This is your life!

Hey! There I am as a little kid!

Look at all the neat stuff I got! What did Santa bring you, Ebenezer? A lump of coal as usual?

No, this year he brung me a lump of doggie-doo! I tell ya, I get no respect!



Hey! It's ol' Fezziwig's! That's where I had my first job! I remember the Christmas party...it was wild! There I am standing under the mistletoe!

Are you kidding? I stood there so long that Fezziwig's dog thought I was a telephone pole!

Did any of the girls kiss you?





There's Belle, my fiancee!

Ebenezer, I'm returning your engagement ring!

Does that mean you're not going to make the rest of the payments! Why do you want to break up? I'm still the same squeezing, grasping, clutching guy I always was!

Yeah, but now you do all your squeezing, grasping and clutching with your money instead of me!



Gosh, dad! Thanks for this neat red bow tie! Heh heh heh!

(pant gasp) I wish El Cheapo would give me a raise so I could buy the brat a bicycle and get him off my back!

I don't want a bike, daddy! I have you! Hi-yo, Silver! Eh eh eh!

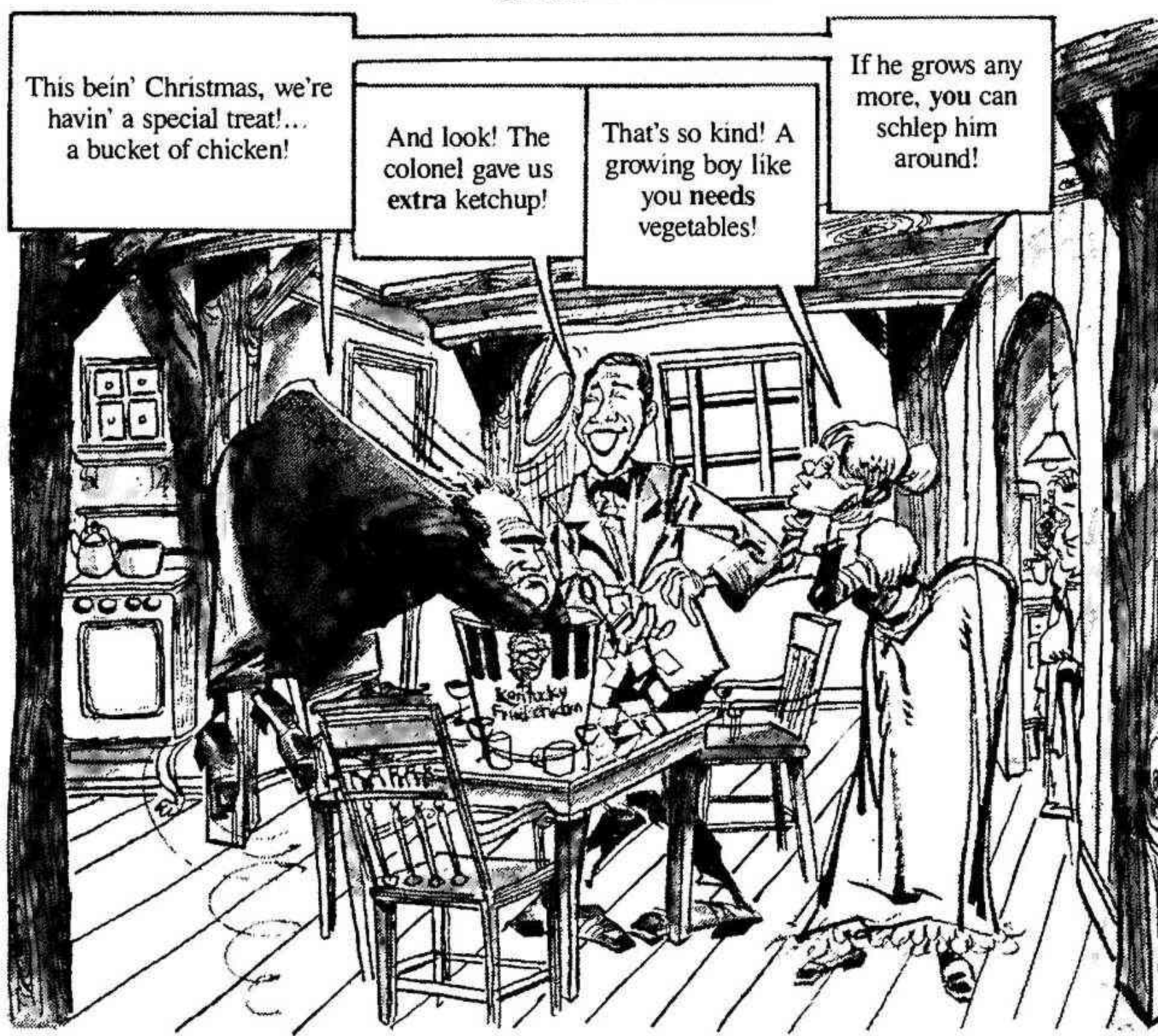


Spirit, take me back! Hey, who are you?!

I am the Ghost of Christmas Present!

You got me a present?

Mmmm-boy, you're a funny one! No, I didn't get you a present! I'm here to show you what's happening on this Christmas! Take my hand and awaaay we go!



This bein' Christmas, we're havin' a special treat!... a bucket of chicken!

And look! The colonel gave us extra ketchup!

That's so kind! A growing boy like you needs vegetables!

If he grows any more, you can schlep him around!



Let's drink a toast to Mr. Scrooge!

I'll drink to that... Scrooge, you stink!

Bob! That was unkind! You should have invited Mr. Scrooge for Christmas dinner!

If that tightwad was here, I'd give him the part of the chicken that goes over the fence last!



I say bless Mr. Scrooge! Bless everyone and everything! Bless the couch, the window, the chair, the door...

Bless you, Tiny Tim!

Isn't it about time he started to think about girls instead of talking to the furniture?

What worries me is that the furniture talks back!





Hoy, there! I'm da ghost o' Christmas Yet ta Come!

Look, spirit, it's none of my business, but who's your clothes designer...Sal Vationarmi?

Look what's tawkin'! C'mon, Screwgie! We're goin' to a funeral!



Anybody I know?

Sure! It's yer funeral!

Look at that crowd! I'm finally gettin' some respect!

Oops! Oi'm sorry! Dis is da wrong funeral! We're at da pet cemetery! Somebody's hamster died!



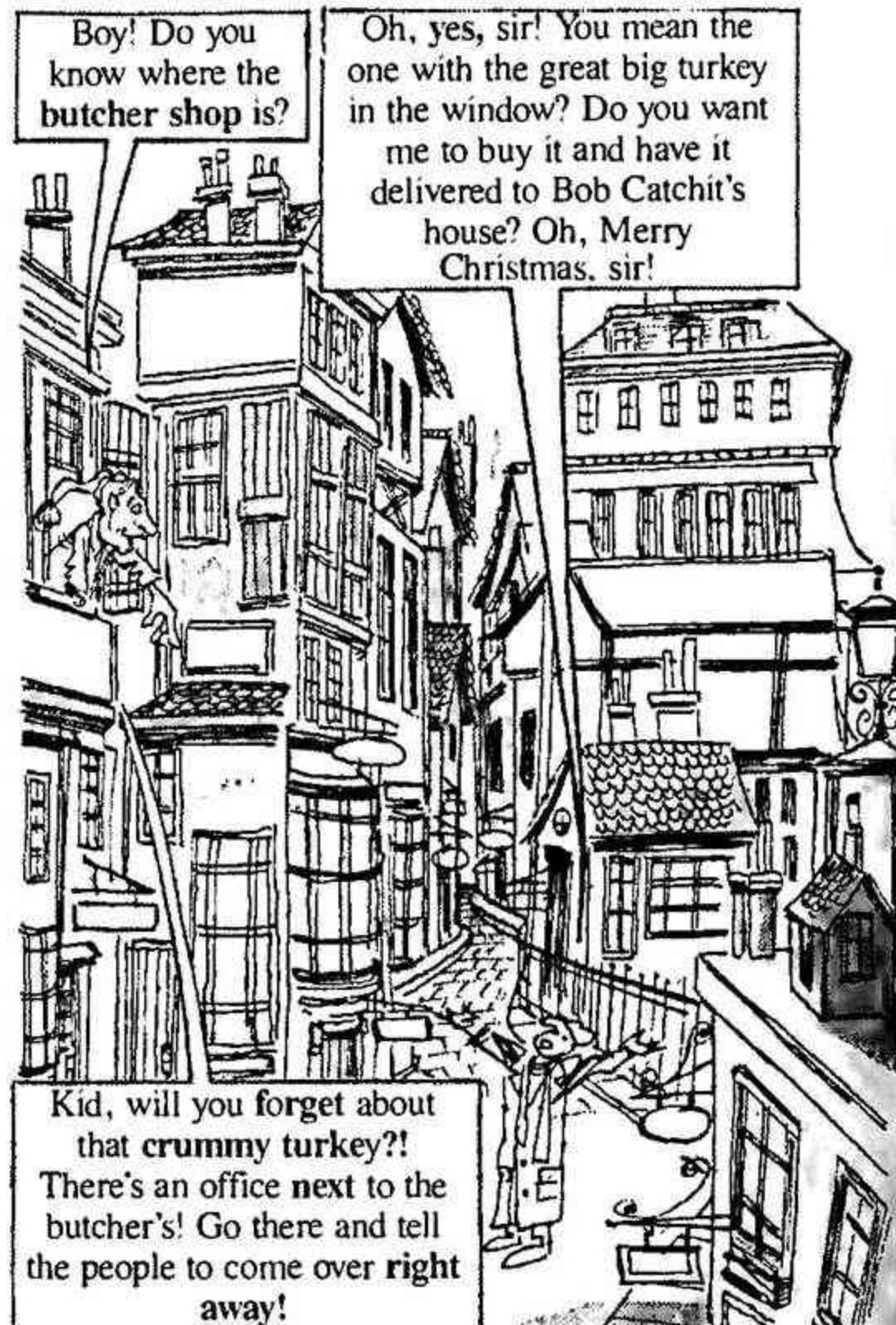
Here's your funeral, Screwgie!

There's my nephew! He's deliverin' the eulogy!

My Uncle Ebenezer left me money to buy a stone...So I bought one!



It's bad enough nobody came to my funeral, but did my nephew have to tell such an old joke? Wait! I'm not dead! I'm here in my own bed!



Boy! Do you know where the butcher shop is?

Oh, yes, sir! You mean the one with the great big turkey in the window? Do you want me to buy it and have it delivered to Bob Catchit's house? Oh, Merry Christmas, sir!

Kid, will you forget about that crummy turkey?! There's an office next to the butcher's! Go there and tell the people to come over right away!



Mr. Screwge? Ghost Busters at your service! What's your problem, babe?

My house is haunted! First there was a ghost of my partner, then there were three other ghosts...



Hey, man! No problem, right guys? Let's go get 'em!



Right now, the hobby of collecting **BASEBALL CARDS** is **HOTTER** than a bowl of **TEXAS CHILI** served in **DEATH VALLEY**! During the winter months the obsession **DOESN'T** slow down with **YOUNG** and **OLD** alike gathering around a warm place, collecting and trading! We **ADD** to the heat with our own **SIZZLING** version of...

# Cracked HOT STOVE LEAGUE BASEBALL CARDS!



GEORGE GLADIR home-run writer

JOHN SEVERIN pitcher-drawer



**MONTE "BLIMP" MEADOWS**

*There's nothing Monte enjoys more than crouching behind home plate...*

*...Unless it's crouching behind several dinner plates!*

**FLOYD FLINGER**

*Floyd earned a medical degree while pitching in the majors.*

*Opponents claim Floyd doesn't need the degree. He already knows how to doctor the ball!*

**DAVE "DOODLES" DORKMAN**

*Dave likes to question an umpire's call with a flash card.*

*Umpires like to respond with a flash card of their own!*

**SID VIDD**

*Sid is a good switch hitter, but an even better switch pitcher.*

*Sid can pitch commercials with either hand...or foot!*

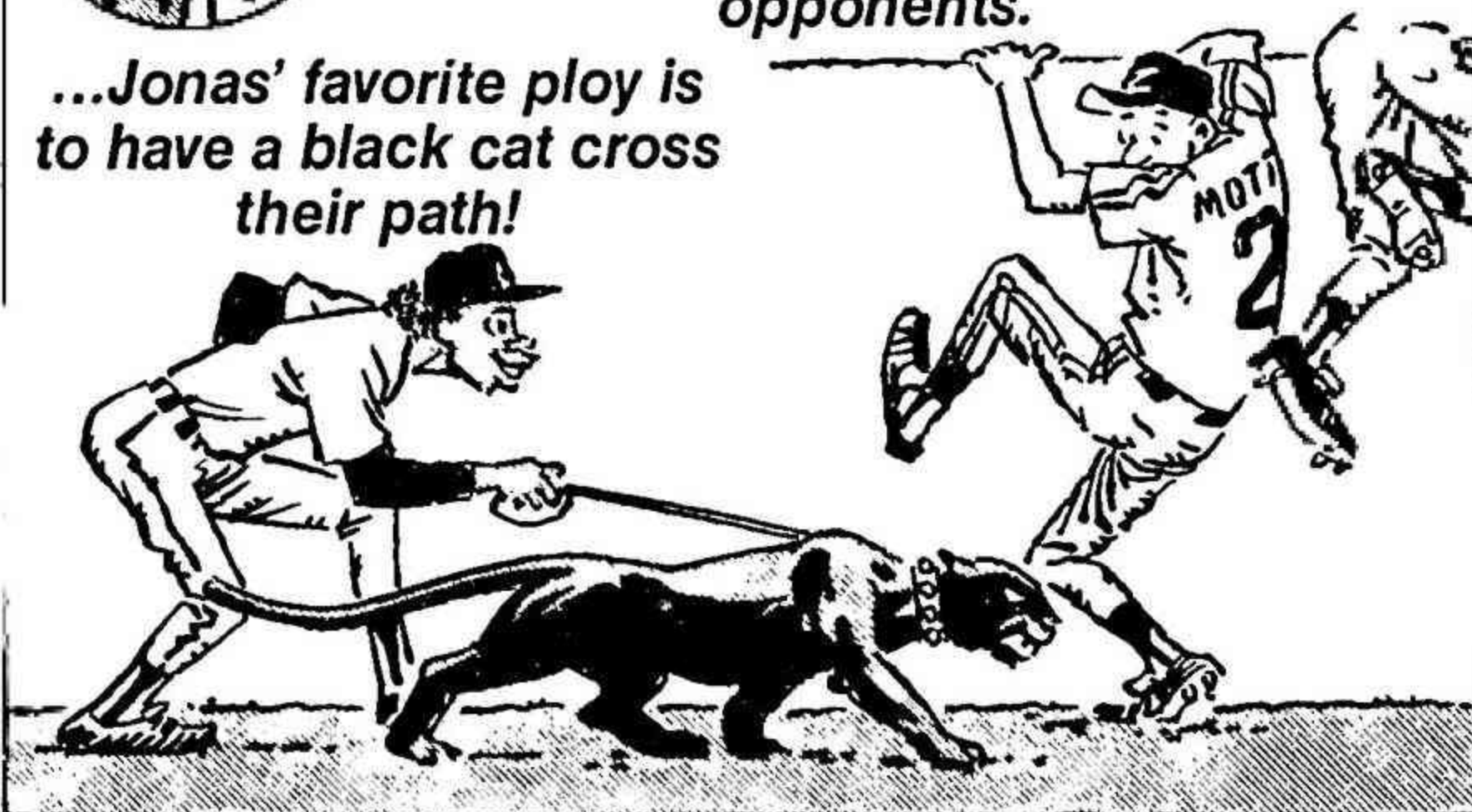




## JONAS "JONES" JASPER

Before a game, Jonas likes to take advantage of superstitious opponents.

...Jonas' favorite ploy is to have a black cat cross their path!



## WILLIE BLOORER

Five-time batting champion, Willie Bloorer, prides himself on the excellent care he gives his bats.

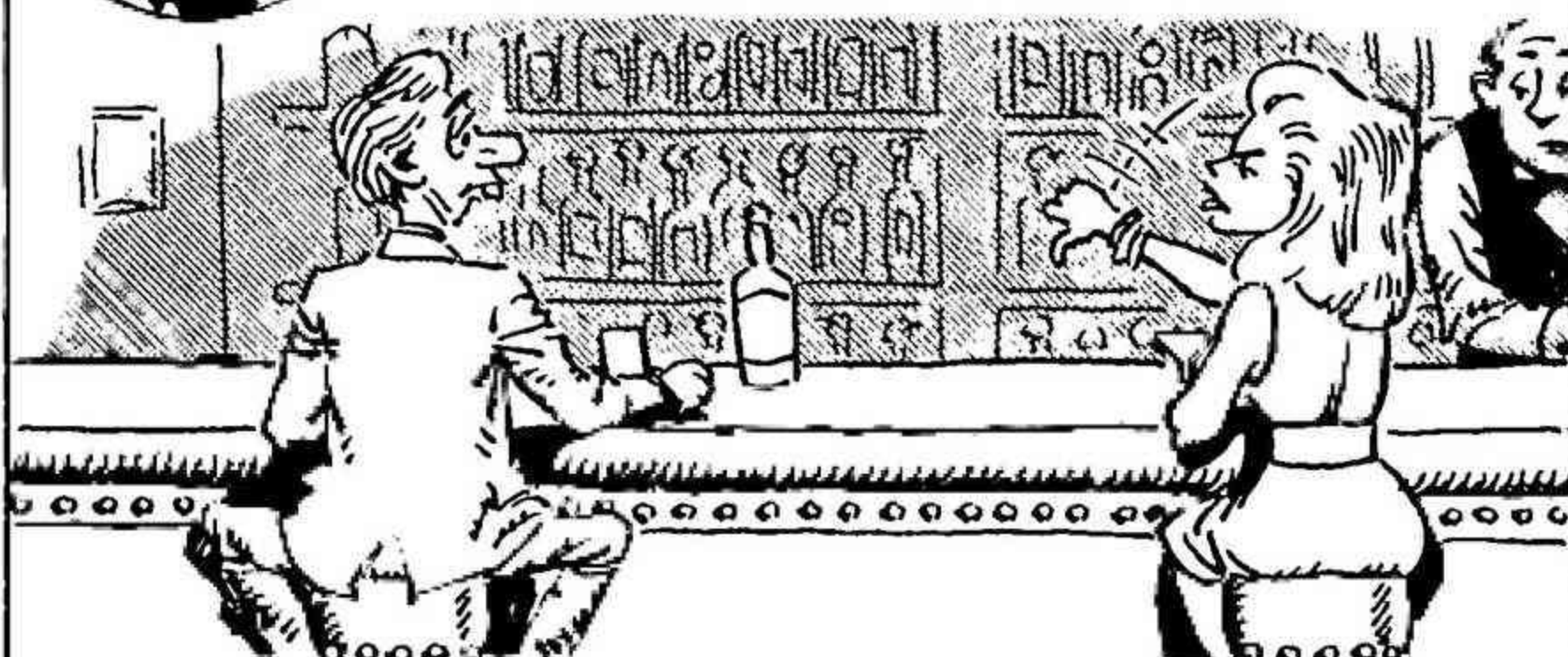


This has been confirmed by his three ex-wives!



## WHIFF JONES

In his rookie year, Whiff struck out 165 times!



He also struck out an additional 142 at night clubs!



## CLEM R. BITTER

Umpire Clem is usually sensitive to criticism by reporters.



He has been known to sic his seeing eye dog after them!



## MICK "MADMAN" McDOUGAL

Mick has the worst temper in baseball. He once smashed eight lockers, two fountains and a dugout!



...and this was on a day before the game even started!



## FARLEY FRACAS

Farley once got the ultimate revenge on a booing fan.



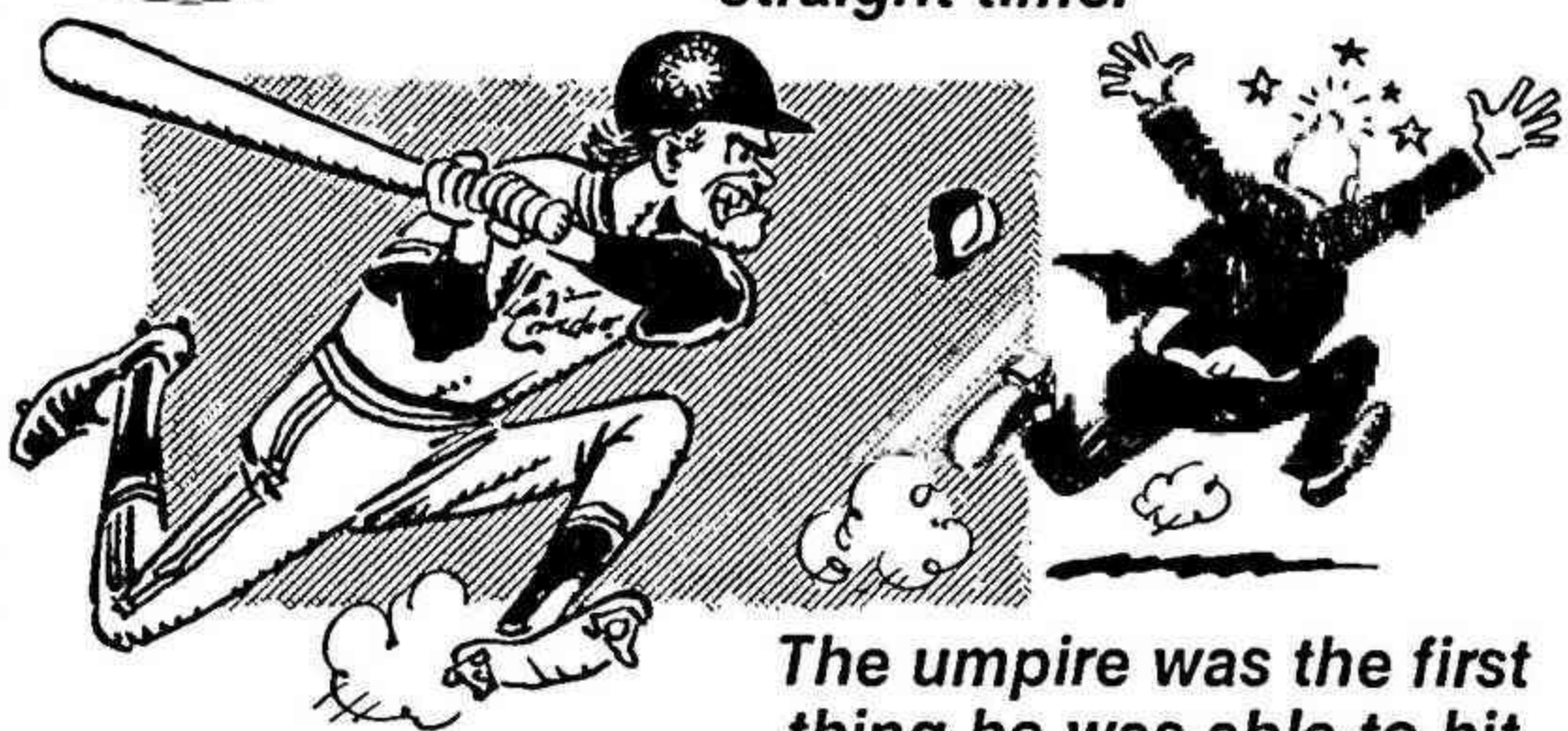
Farley followed the fan home and booed the guy's performance as a lover!





## ALONZO "LEFTY" BESERKO

Alonzo flipped his lid after being called out for the tenth straight time!



The umpire was the first thing he was able to hit in three days!

LET'S HEAR IT FOR THIS PAGE! ... ONE OF THE BETTER PAGES SO FAR!



## MAXWELL "GORILLA" MANILLA

Maxwell switched from wrestling to umpiring.



Especially when he found out umpires were permitted to toss players out of the game!



## CLYDE "THE DUKE OF" EARL

"The Duke" prides himself on his super-coolness!

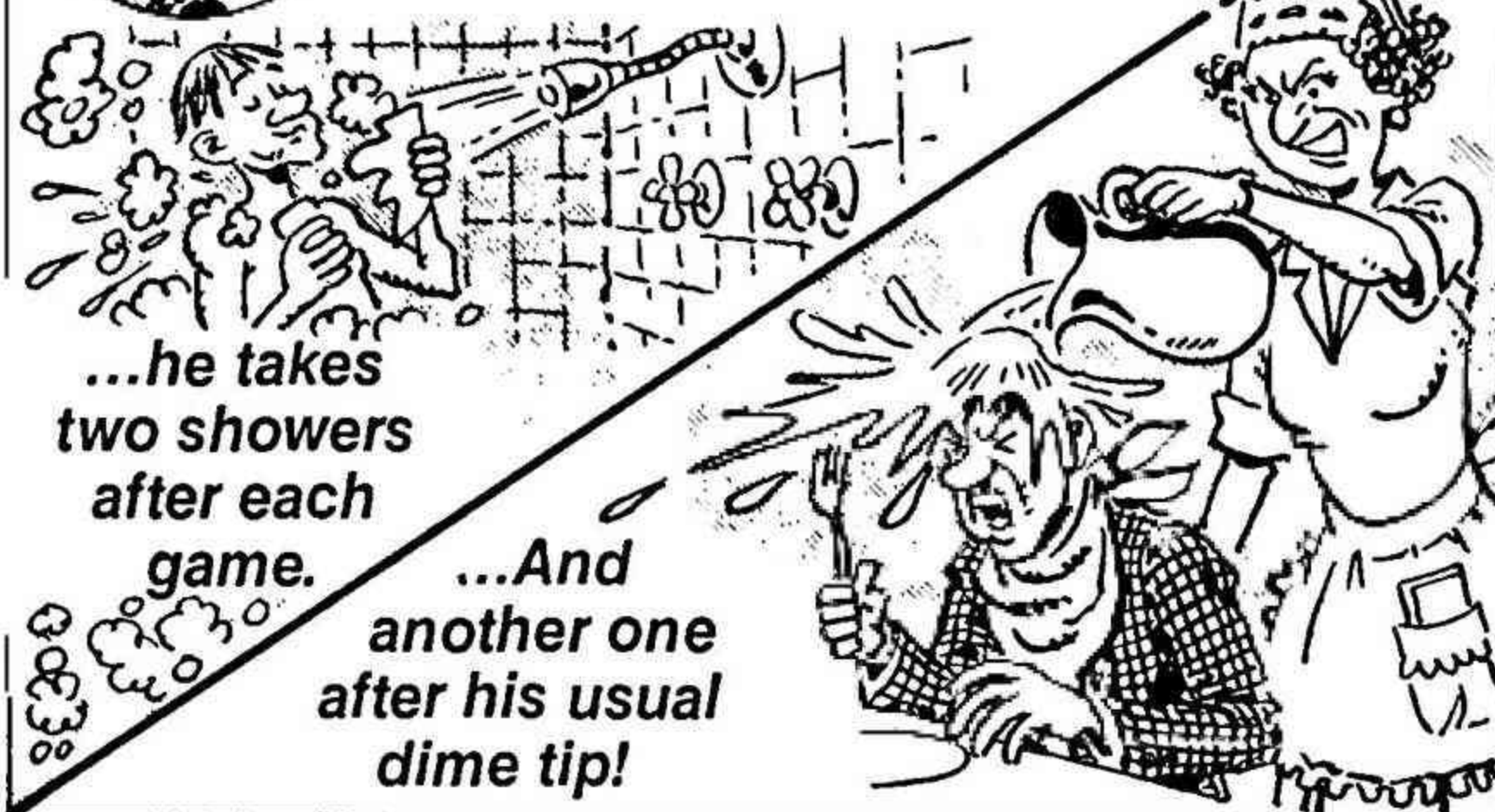


He even employs a special valet to knock the dirt off his own spikes!



## BOBBY JOE LARSON

Bobby Joe is the cleanest player in the majors.



...he takes two showers after each game.

...And another one after his usual dime tip!



## HOBIE HOBOKEN

During a world series game, Hobie made the most dramatic catch of his career.

# 450



...It was also the last catch of Hobie's career!



## EDDIE "LUCKY" KOWALSKI

Eddie suffered only one serious injury in over twenty years of baseball!



It was at a baseball card show when he severely sprained his wrist while signing autographs!

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# THINGS A HERO'S MOM

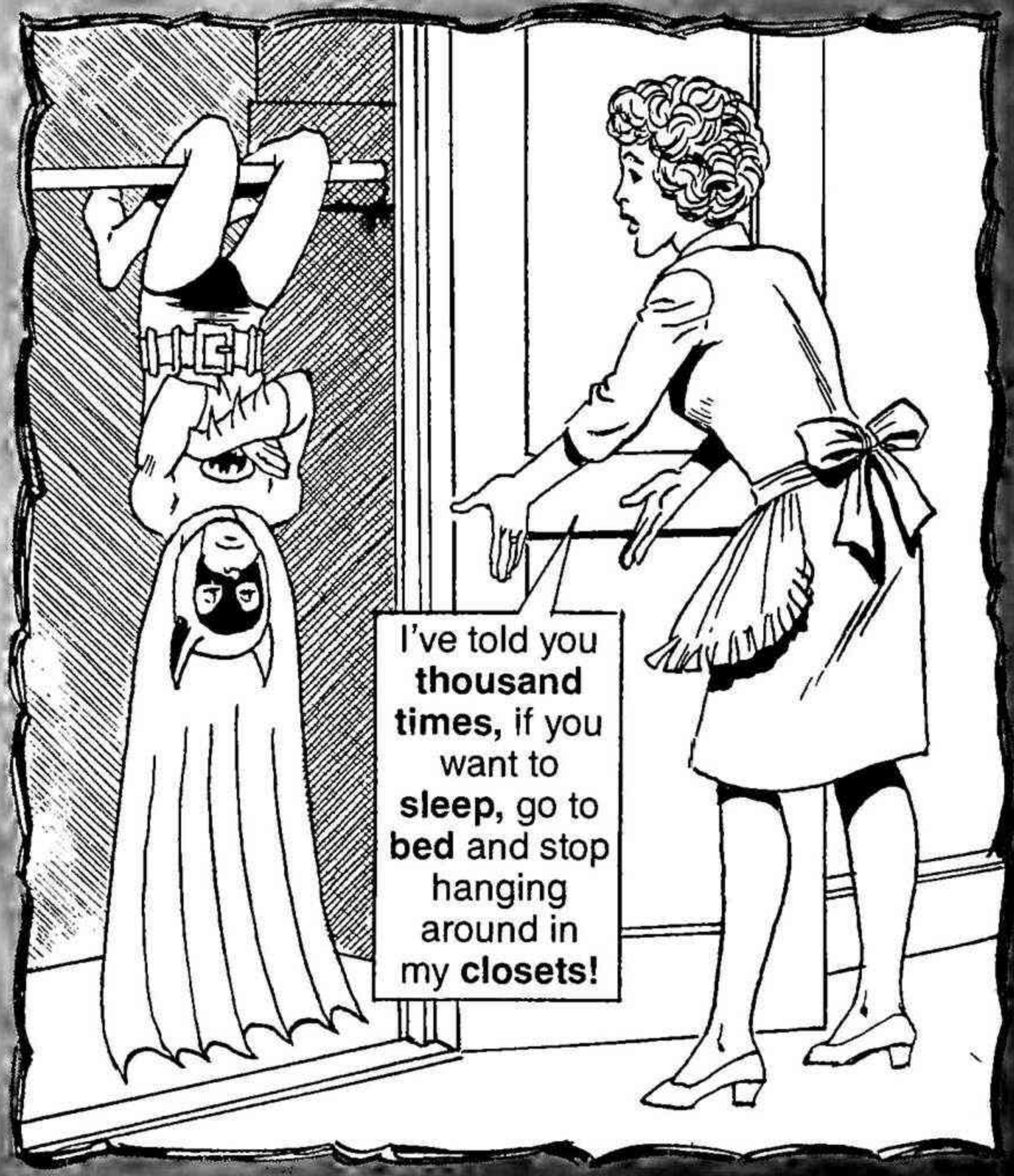


**LI'L HULK**



**SUPERLAD**

**TEEN FLASH**



**BATKID**

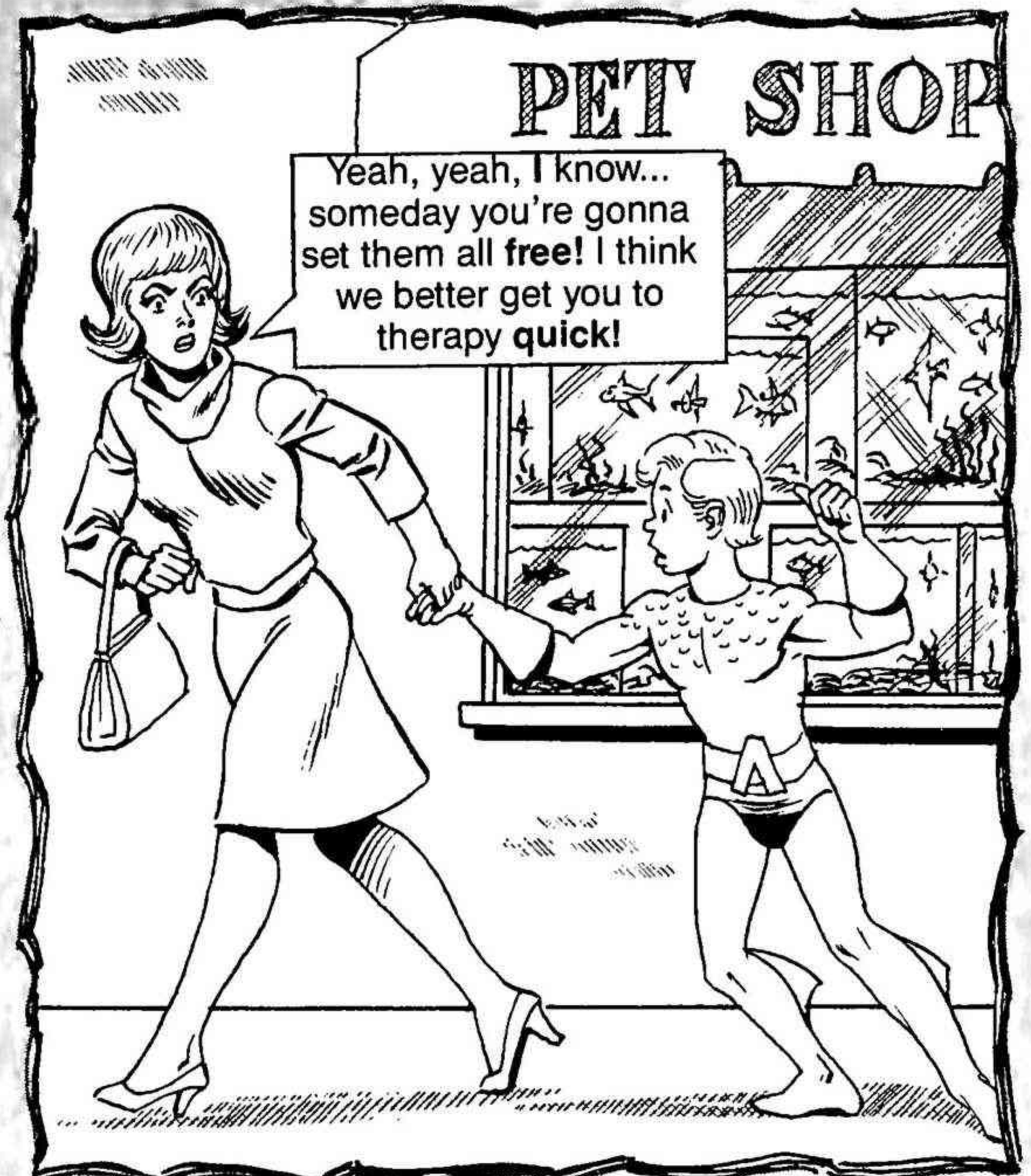


# COULD NEVER GET USED TO!



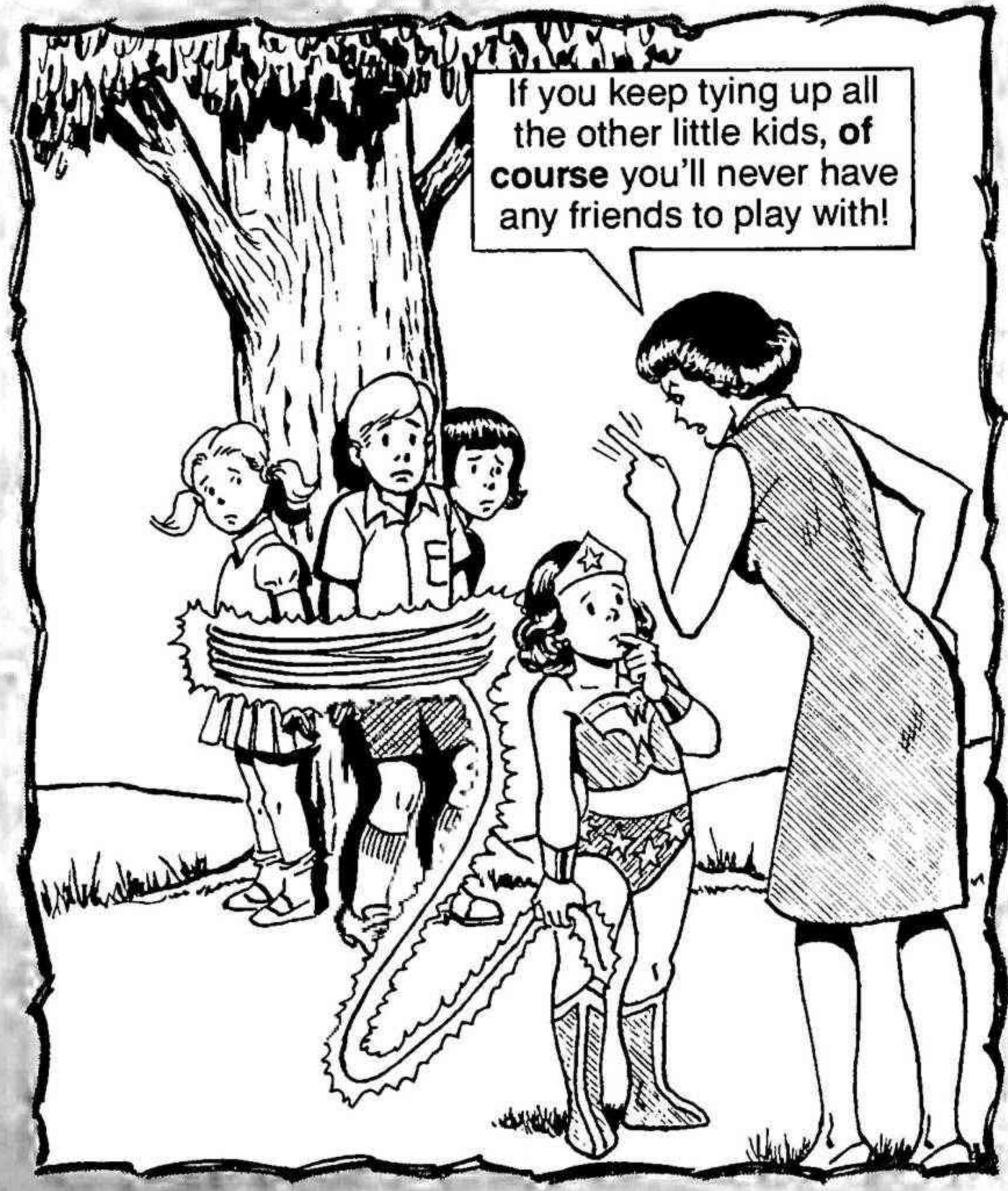
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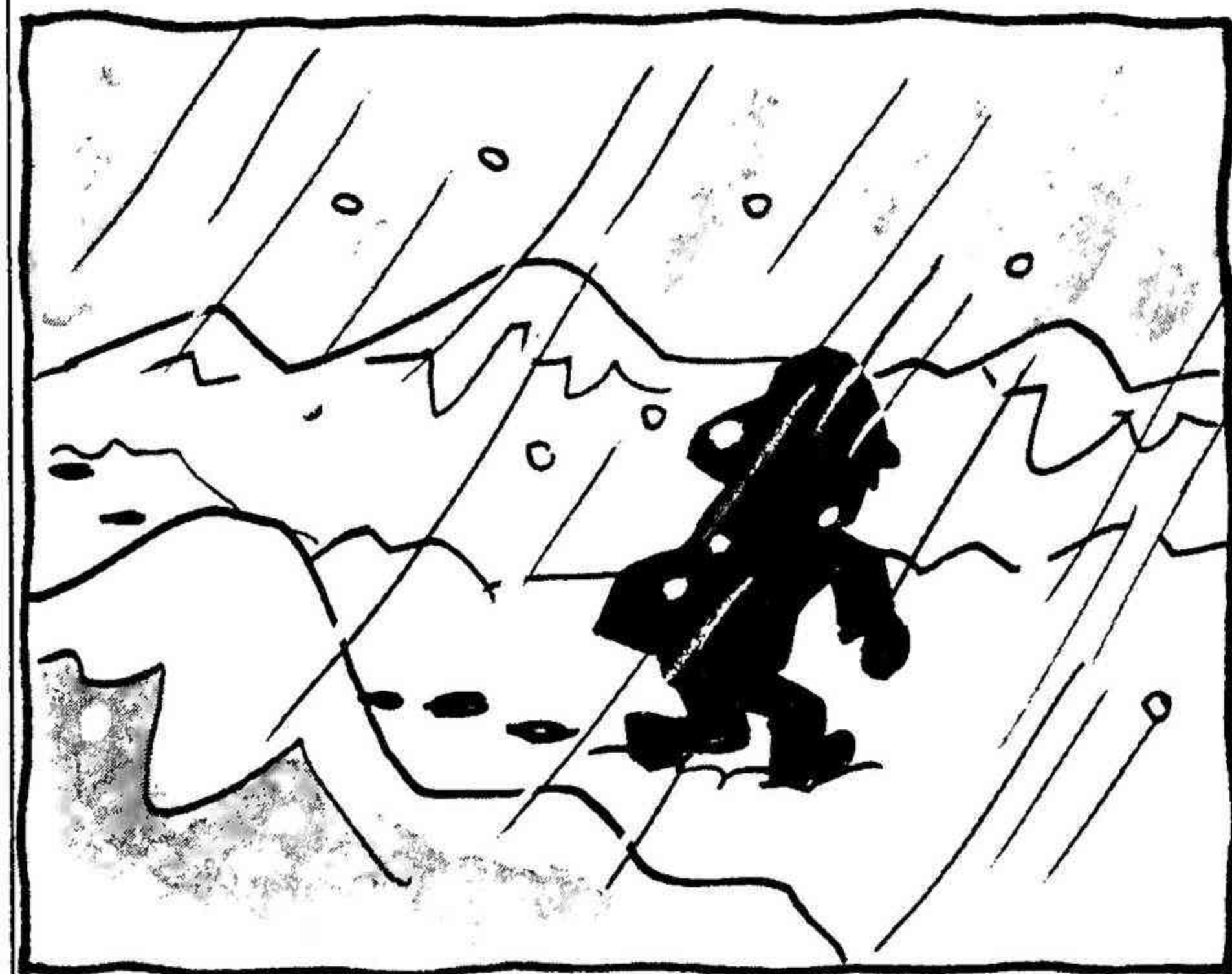
**WONDER GAL**





# ARCTIC ANTIC

by  
HENRY  
BOLTINOFF





My name is **Mervin Marvin**. I am the personal secretary to the world's richest man, **John Beartrap Trippedout**, who, for **kicks**, hands out **zillion dollar checks** to undeserving **losers**! More than just a nut, he is...

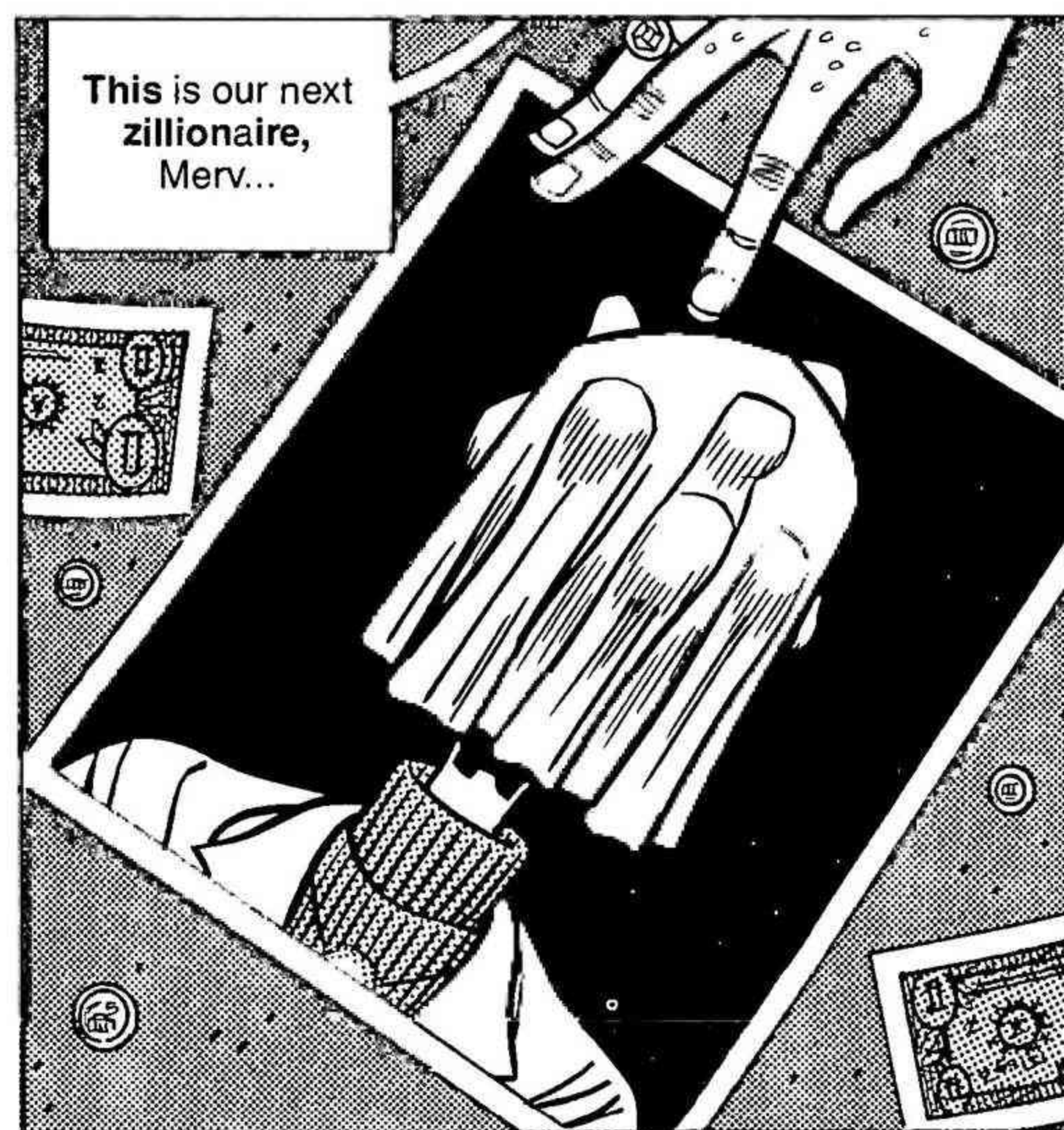
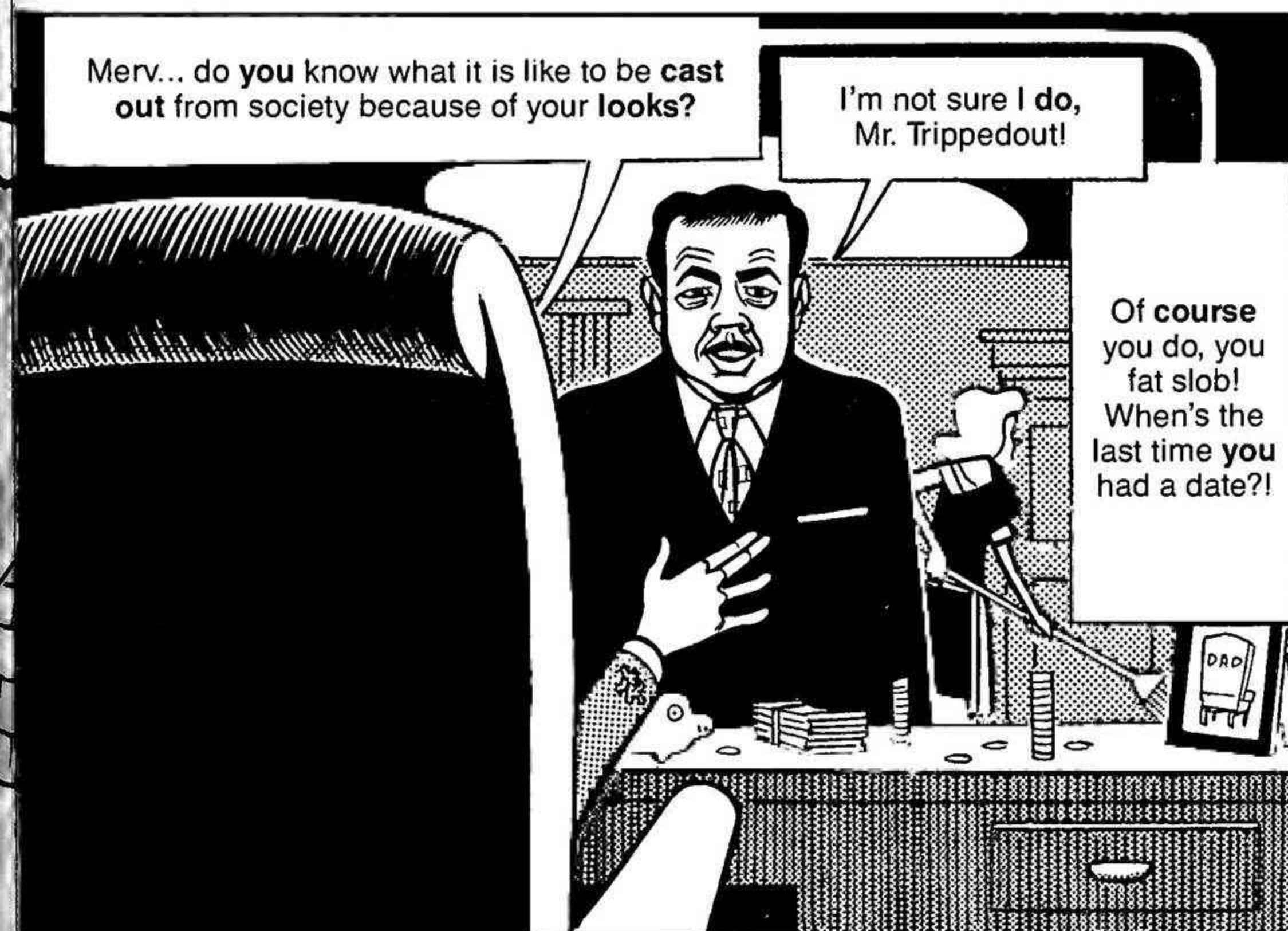


# THE ZILLIONAIRE

ANOTHER DUMB TITLE  
- MAJOR DUMBNESS

## Starring THE UGGLY FAMILY

writ and drew-up by Stosh Gillespie





I want this office completely **spotless** by the time I get back, Miss Von Maggotte!

Yessir, Mr. Trippedout!

You @#%& penny-pinching creep!

Sure he gives away a **zillion dollars** to an endless line of undeserving gimps while I have to work like a cur to earn **minimum wage**! Ecch!

This latest guy is so homely he hasta wear a **sack** on his head!

Hmmm...I bet a **reject** like this would **love** to meet a nice girl to share his loot with...

...I think I'll pay this **Unca Granpa** a little visit!!! Eh eh eh!!!

sob!  
(sniiiff)

C'mon, Unca Granpa! Snap out of it! You **can't** spend your whole unlife moping over the loss of **Ethel**!

sob...E-thi!  
...sob!

This is **ideal**! That sap's heart is broken by some **bimbo**! A **perfect** time for me to strike!

**BLATT WHEEZE**

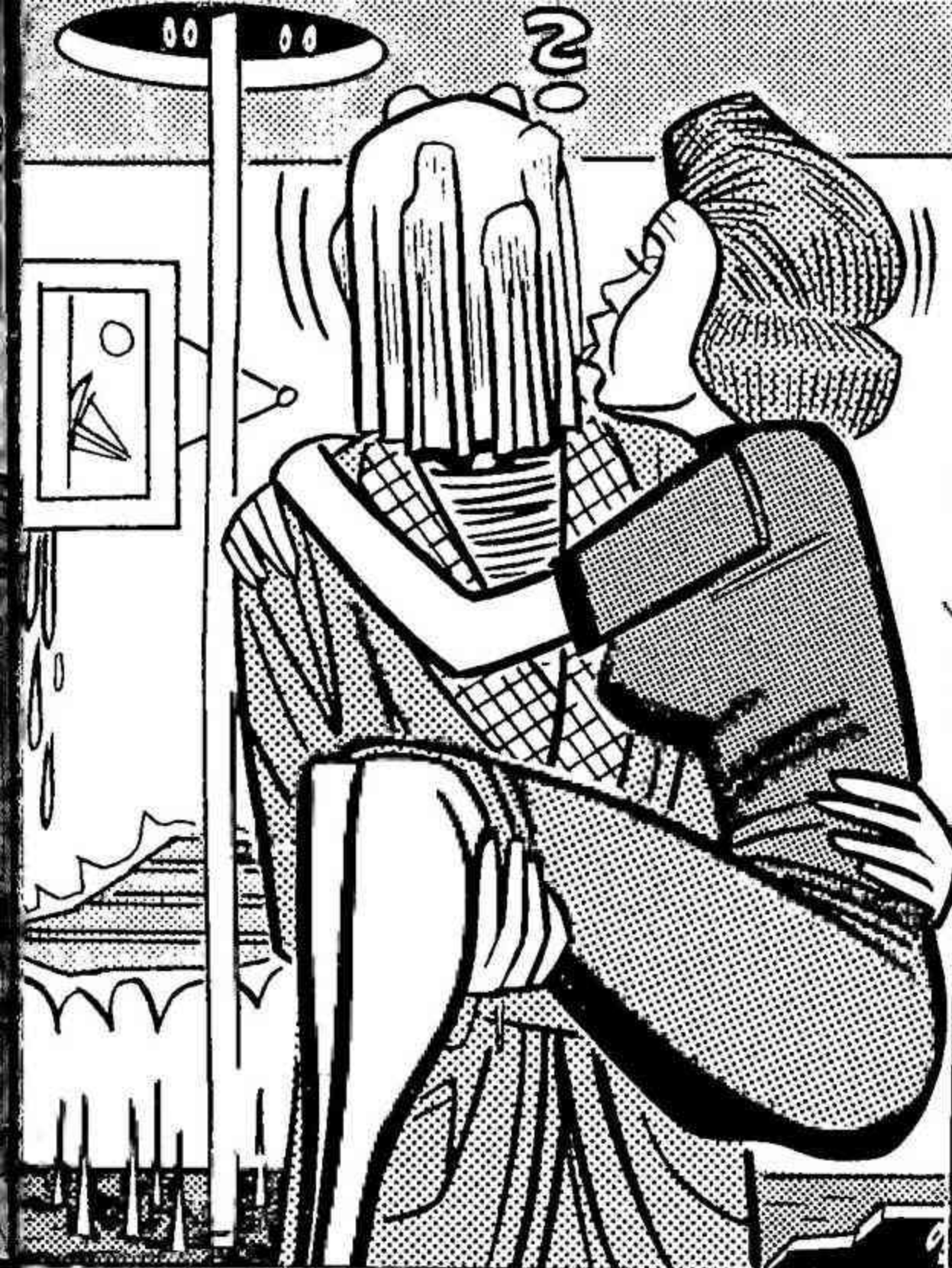
Is that you or the door-bell, honey?

I think it's the door, dad!

EEK!

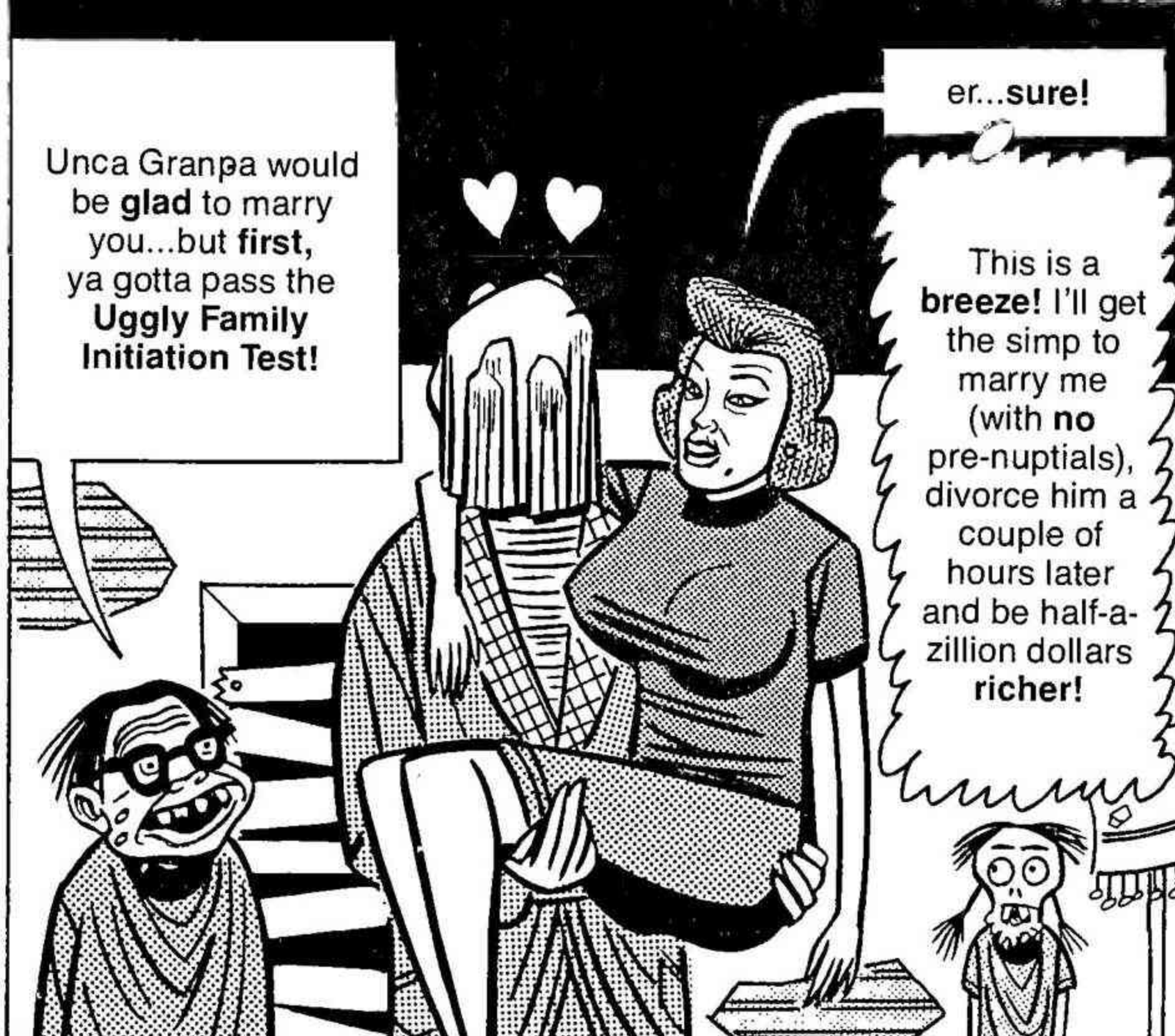
Omigosh! Where is he? Where is the man of my dreams? I'm so, so in love!





I love you, I adore you, I worship you! Let's get married! Ya just gotta! Puh-leeze!

SMAK  
SMAK  
SMAK



Unca Granpa would be glad to marry you...but first, ya gotta pass the Uggly Family Initiation Test!

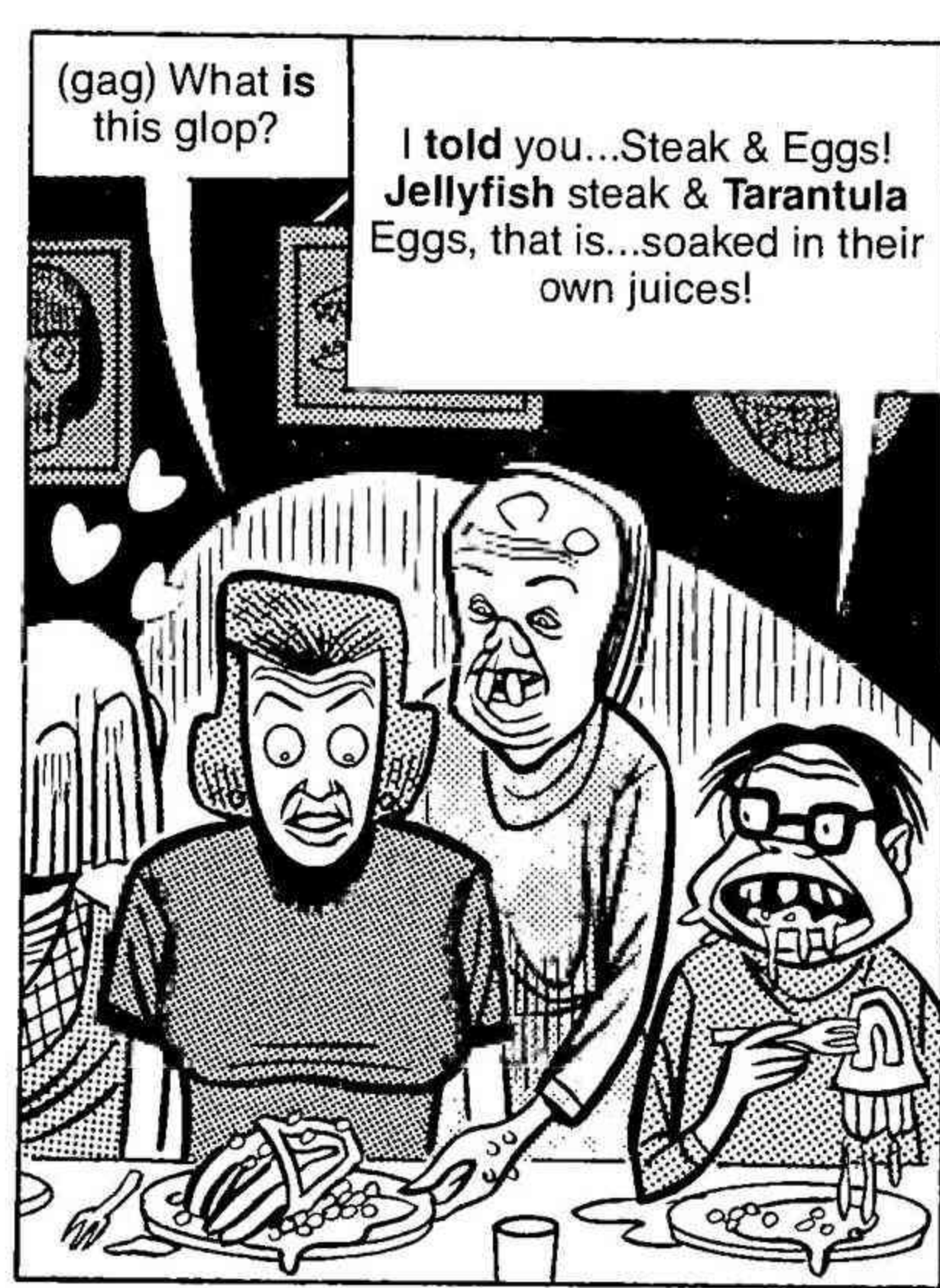
er...sure!

This is a breeze! I'll get the simp to marry me (with no pre-nuptials), divorce him a couple of hours later and be half-a-zillion dollars richer!



It is essential that you savor Mom's cooking! Tonight we're having Steak & Eggs!

Fine! My favorite!



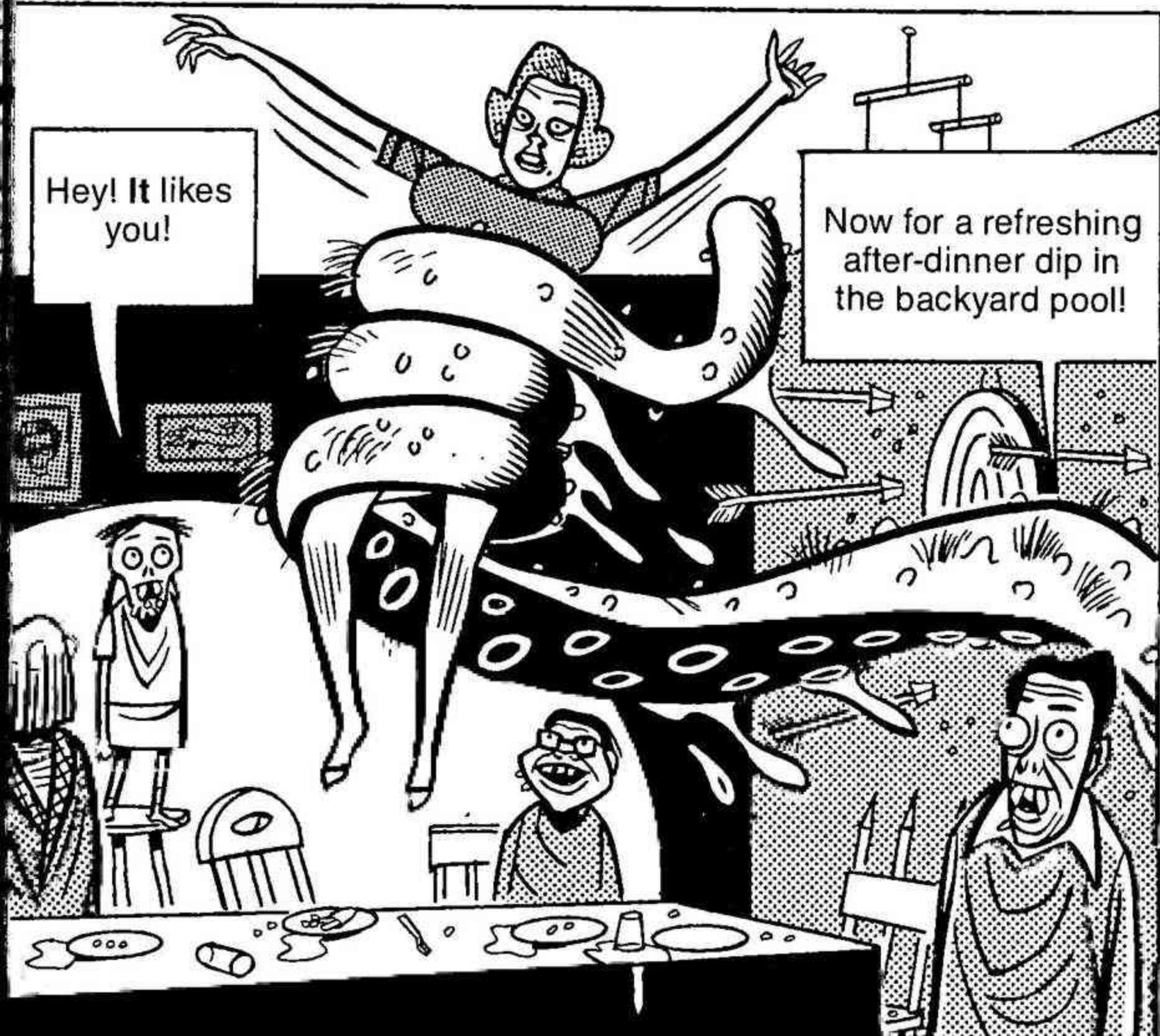
(gag) What is this glop?

I told you...Steak & Eggs! Jellyfish steak & Tarantula Eggs, that is...soaked in their own juices!



(urp) ...Gotta choke down some of this slop if I ever want to see that cash!

You also must be able to get along with our lovable family pet...here, It!



Hey! It likes you!

Now for a refreshing after-dinner dip in the backyard pool!



Don't be afraid to get your hair wet! Unca Granpa goes for the wild, fun-loving adventuress type!

Yugh! This pool is filled with mayonnaise! Glub!



That about does it! I guess she's an Ugly Family kind of gal!

Mom, why don't you and Cys get her **fixed up** for the wedding?

"Fixed up?"

CAVITIES!

She's a visage of pulchritudeness, Unc ol' man!

This has been the most humiliating day of my life... but, it's worth it! I can almost **taste** that zillion dollars!

Will yb mmte?

Look! He's proposing!

I think I'm going to be sick!

I only hope I can be half the woman that your dear Ethel was!

Whattaya mean, "was"? She's right here!

**EEEEK!**

Th-that's Ethel?!

You bet! And you've made Unca Granpa so happy that he's forgotten all about losin' that **zillion dollars** to that cockroach in yesterday's **Insect Grand Prix!**

A z-zillion dollars?! You mean the zillion dollars?!

Yeah, but what's **money**, when you have **true luv**?!

? **YAAAAA!**  
**CRASH!**

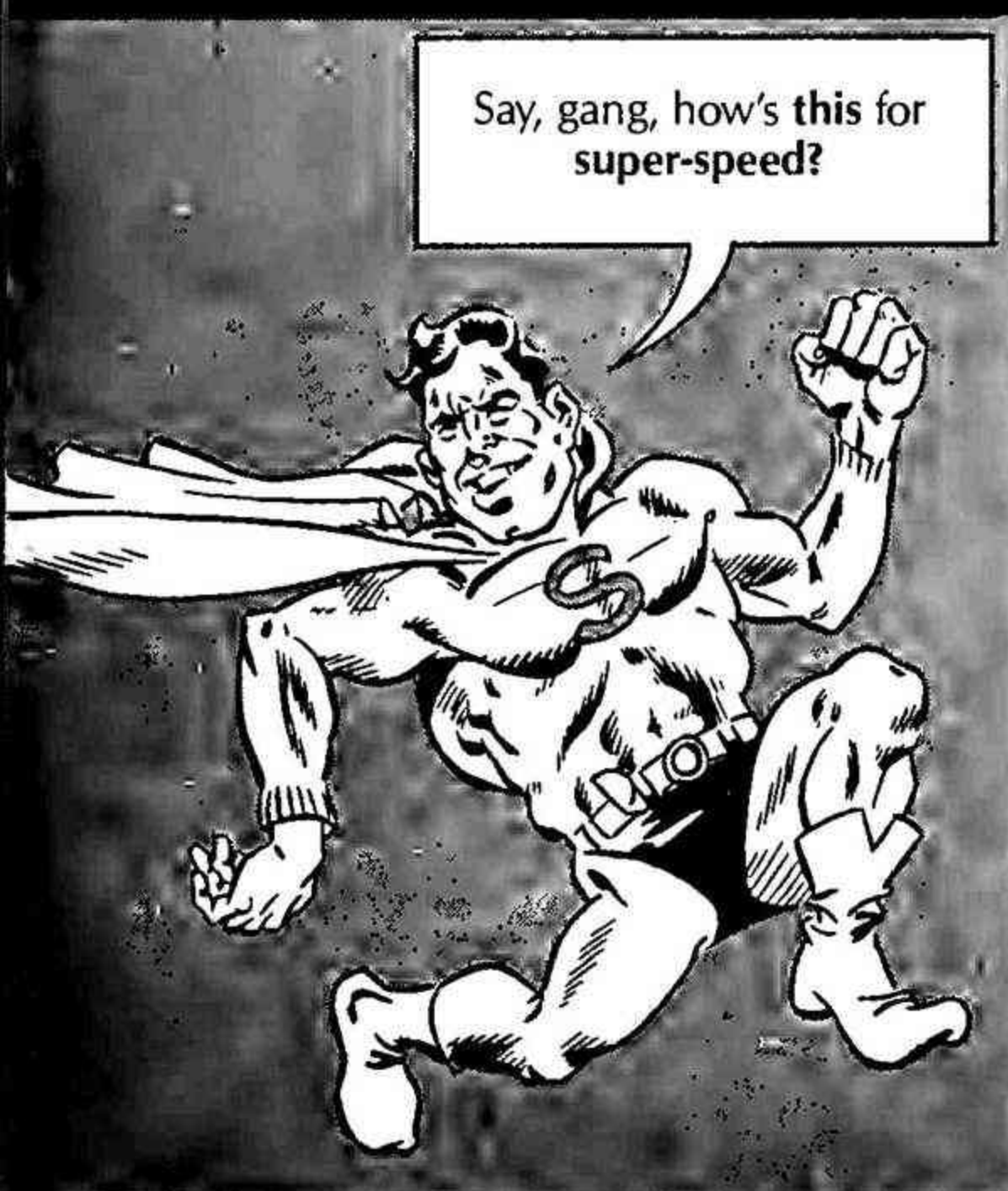
I guess y'can't blame 'er, Unca Granpa! After all...what **normal** 2-legged gal **wouldn't** be jealous of a multi-legger like Ethel?!

**END**



written &  
drawn by:  
RICK  
ALTERGOTT

# SUPER HURRY-UPS!





# FORM & FUNCTION SCOPES OUT SANTA!



**1. SANTA'S PIPE:** Why do you think Santa's pipe looks so much like a periscope? Well, how else do you think he can see you when you're sleeping or when you're awake (the ol' perv)?

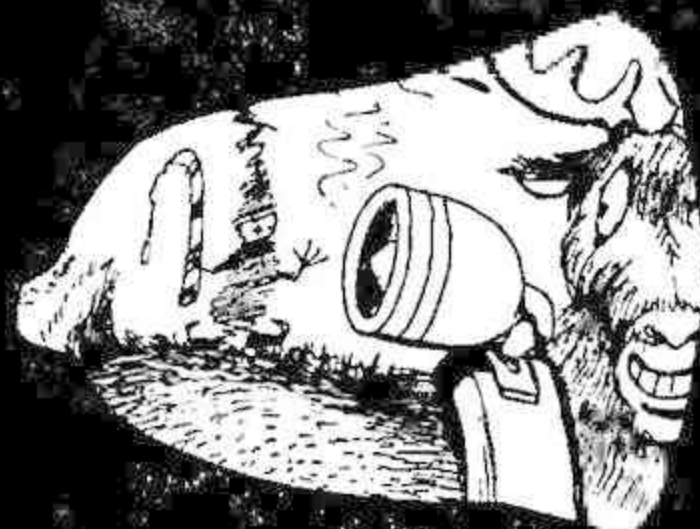
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**9. ANTLERS:** Notice that the reindeer's antlers look a lot like a menorah...this serves as a reminder that Christmas ain't the only holiday happening at this time of year!

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**8. SLEIGH BELLS:** Those sleigh bells look much like the Space Shuttle rocket boosters...only because they are! You don't really believe a reindeer can fly by itself, do you?

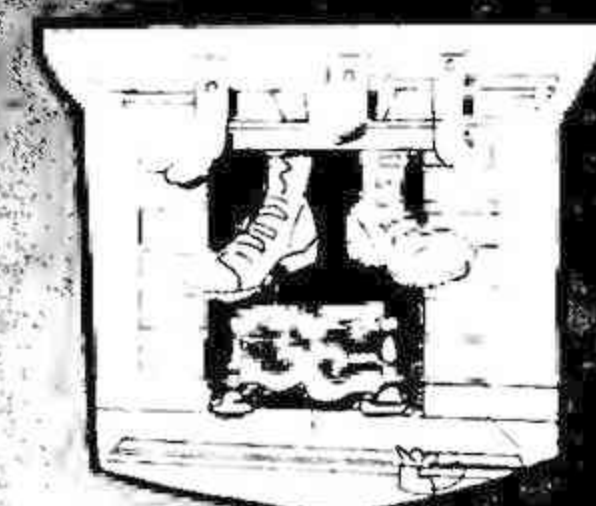


**2. SANTA'S HAT:** The old boy's chapeau looks a lot like a Christmas tree... which is nice, unless there's some nearsighted elf with an ax around!

**3. SANTA'S BEARD:** That beard sure resembles a teeny-tiny fur coat! Can you think of a Hollywood hot-shot (by way of Canada) that is himself teeny-weeny enough to wear such a fur coat? Could it be that Micheal J. Fox is really an escaped elf?



**4. SANTA'S SACK:** This sack of toys looks a lot like a sack of loot! And, quite so, a sack of toys for a kid is gonna cost a parent a sack of loot!



**SANTA'S BELT:** The fat boy's belt looks like a... you can be... about that belt... back that belly... couldn't be able... down any... places!

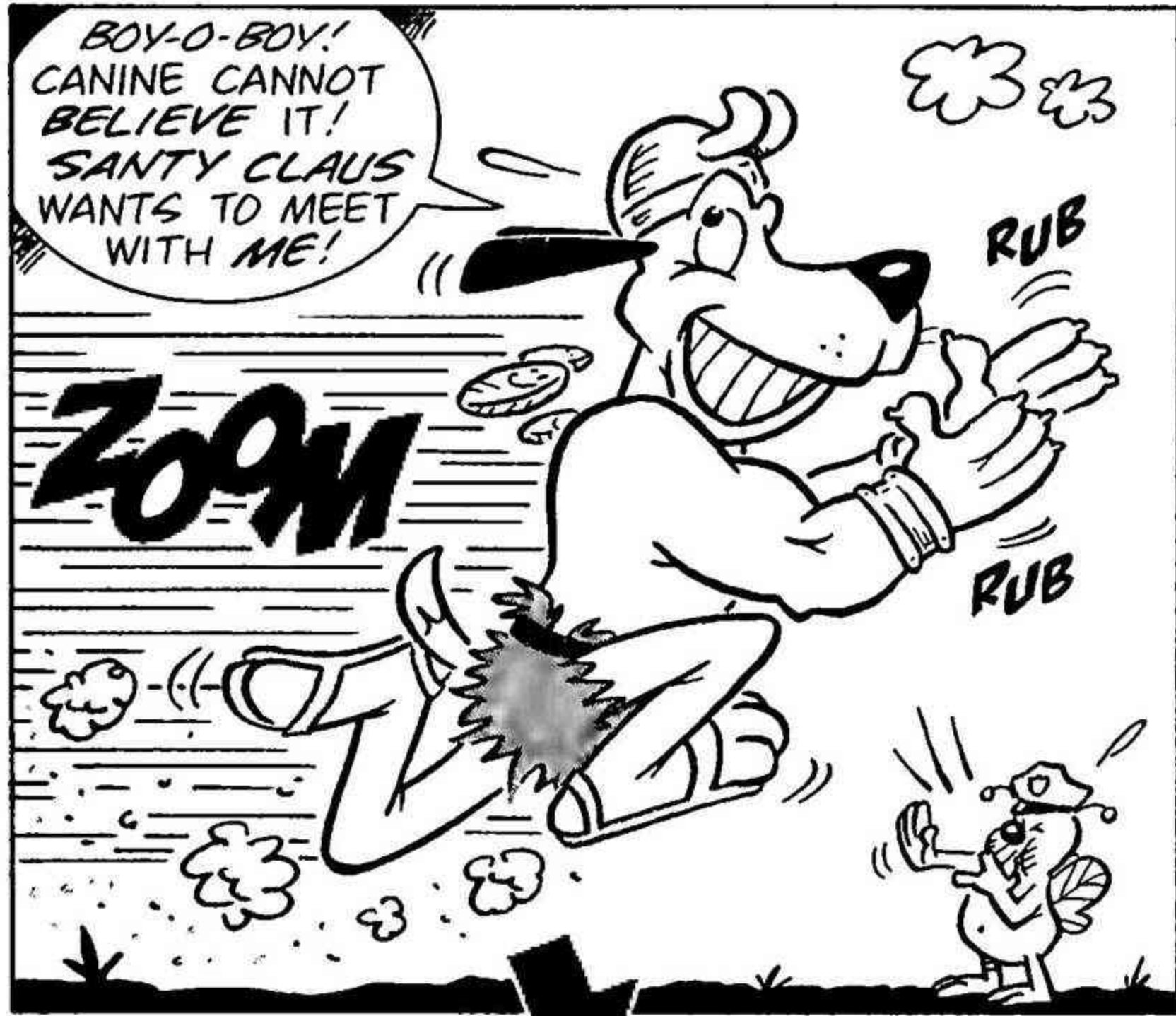
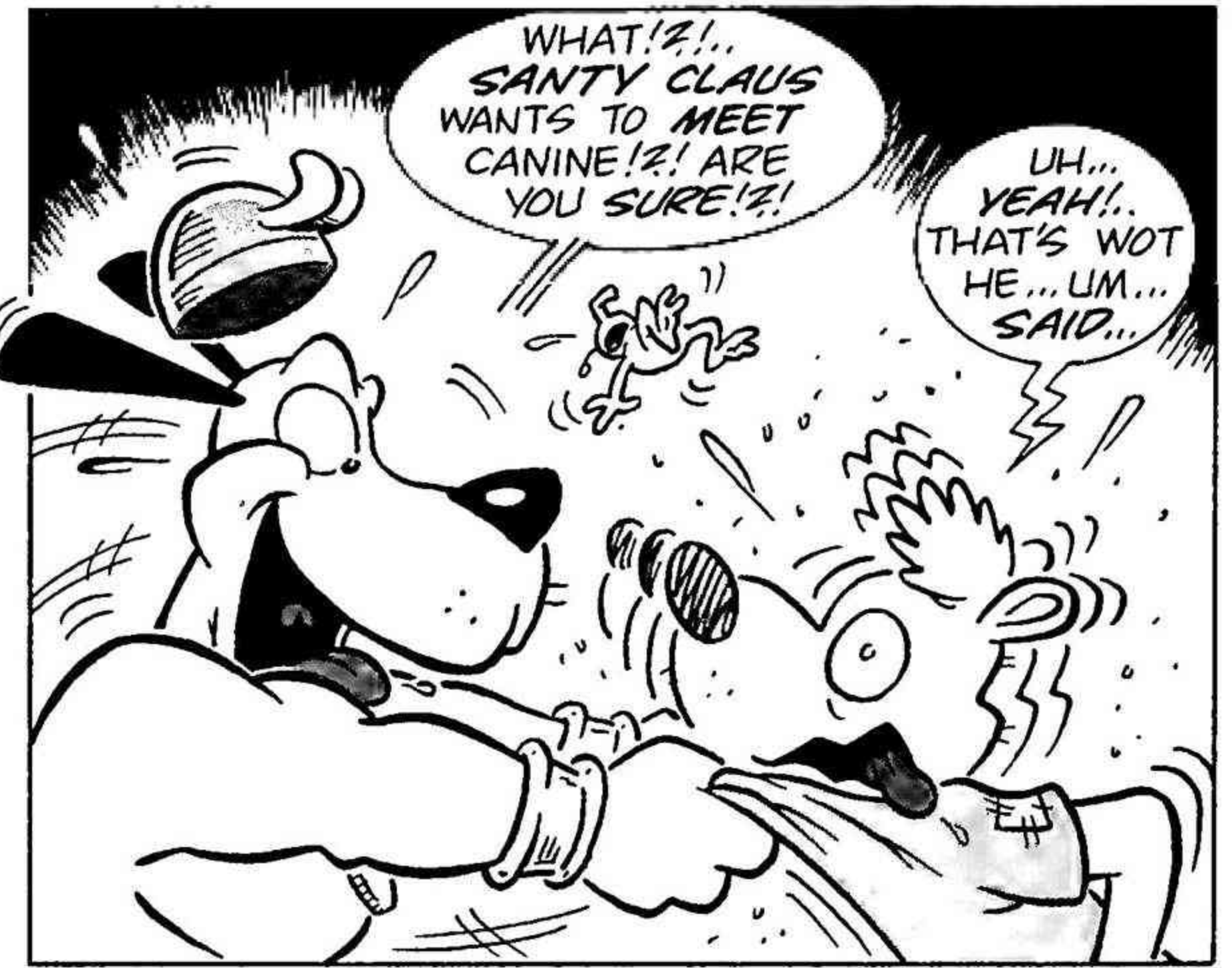
**SANTA'S SLED:** The runners on Santa's sled resemble hunks of tape...and that's just what they are! You can't wrap all those presents without getting tape all over the place!

**7. SANTA'S BOOTS:** Those reindeer took a lesson in multiplication from rabbits and you know Santa never uses more than eight of those critters each Christmas Eve...so what does he do with the surplus reindeer? They get the (brrr) boot!





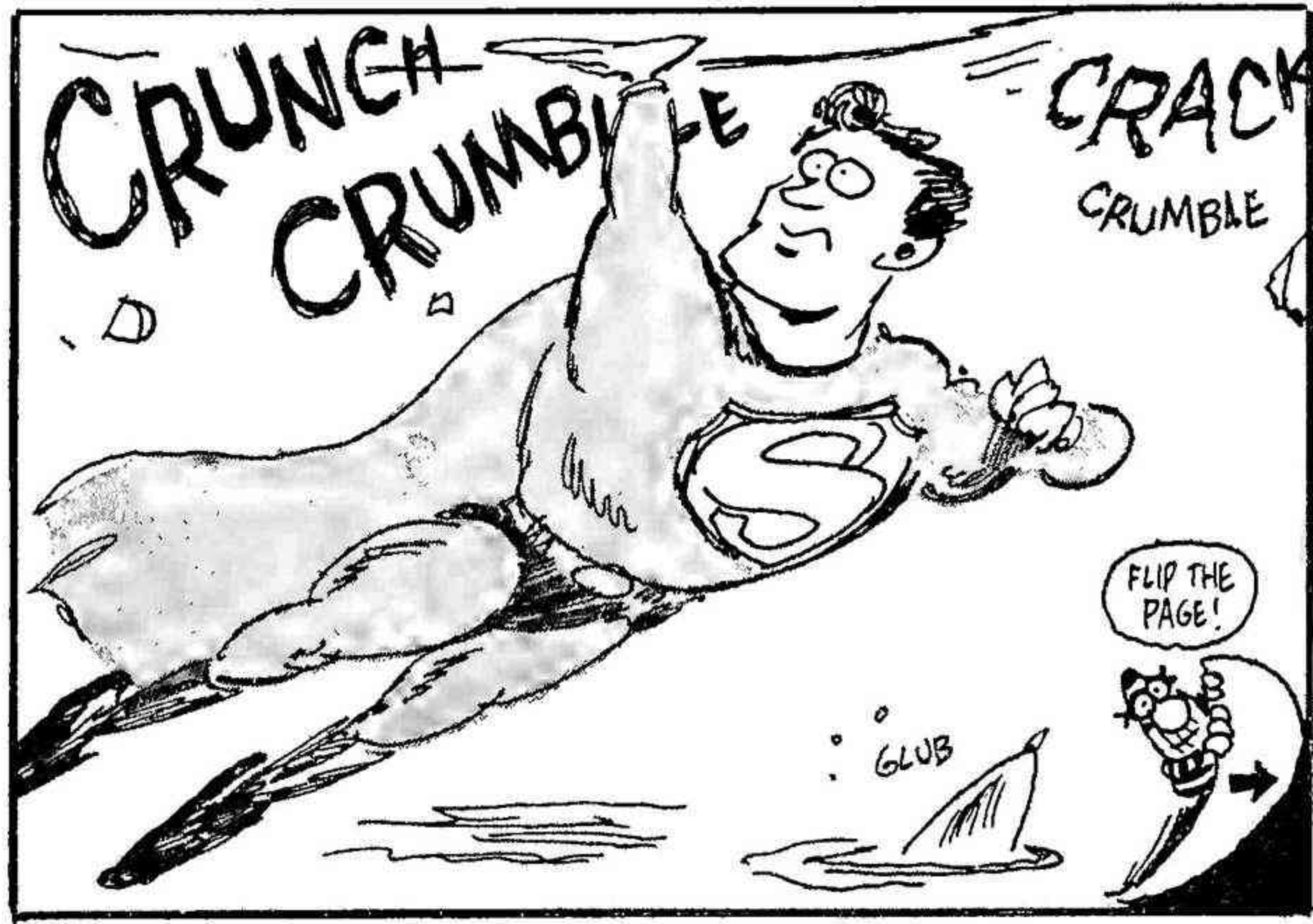
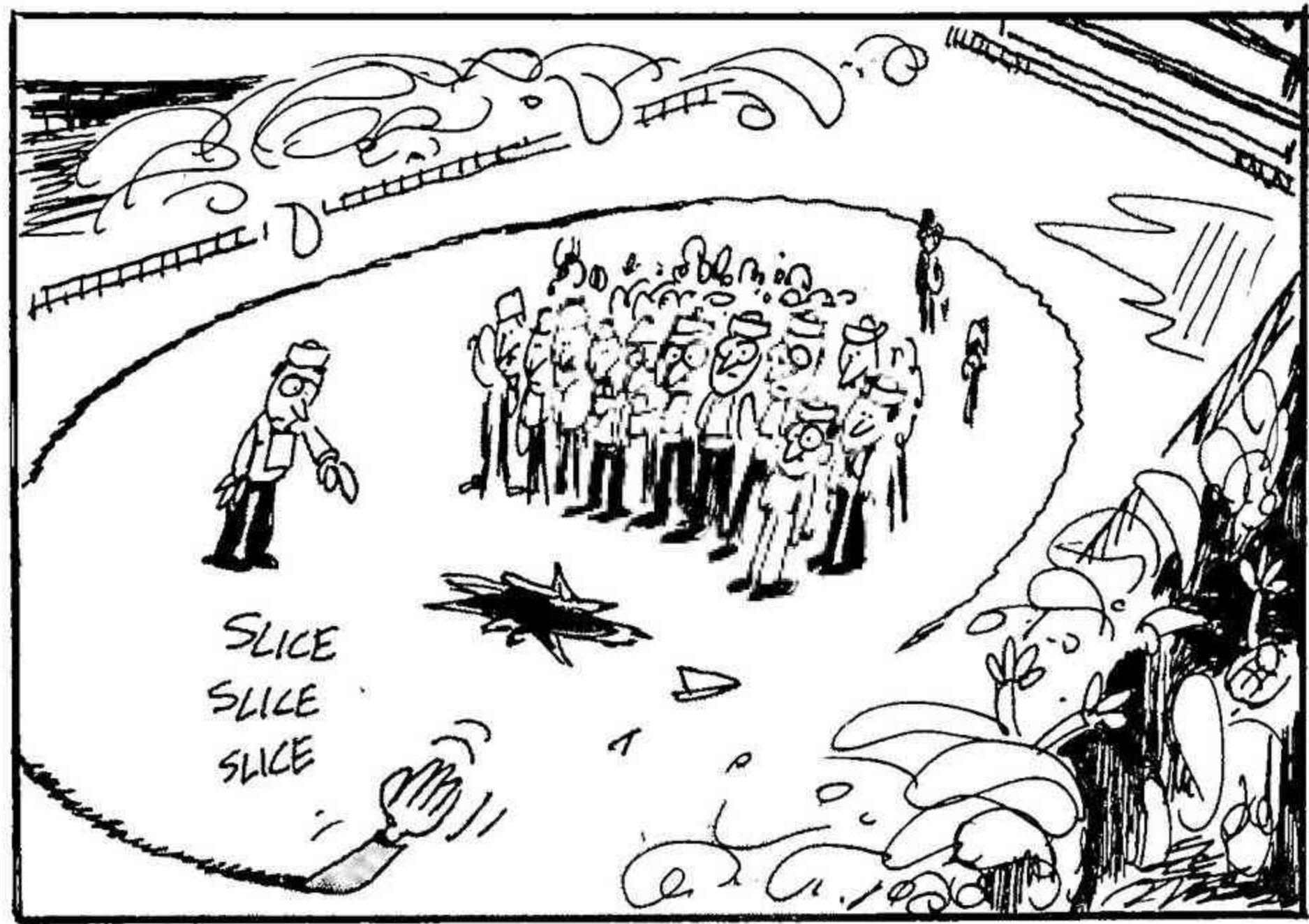
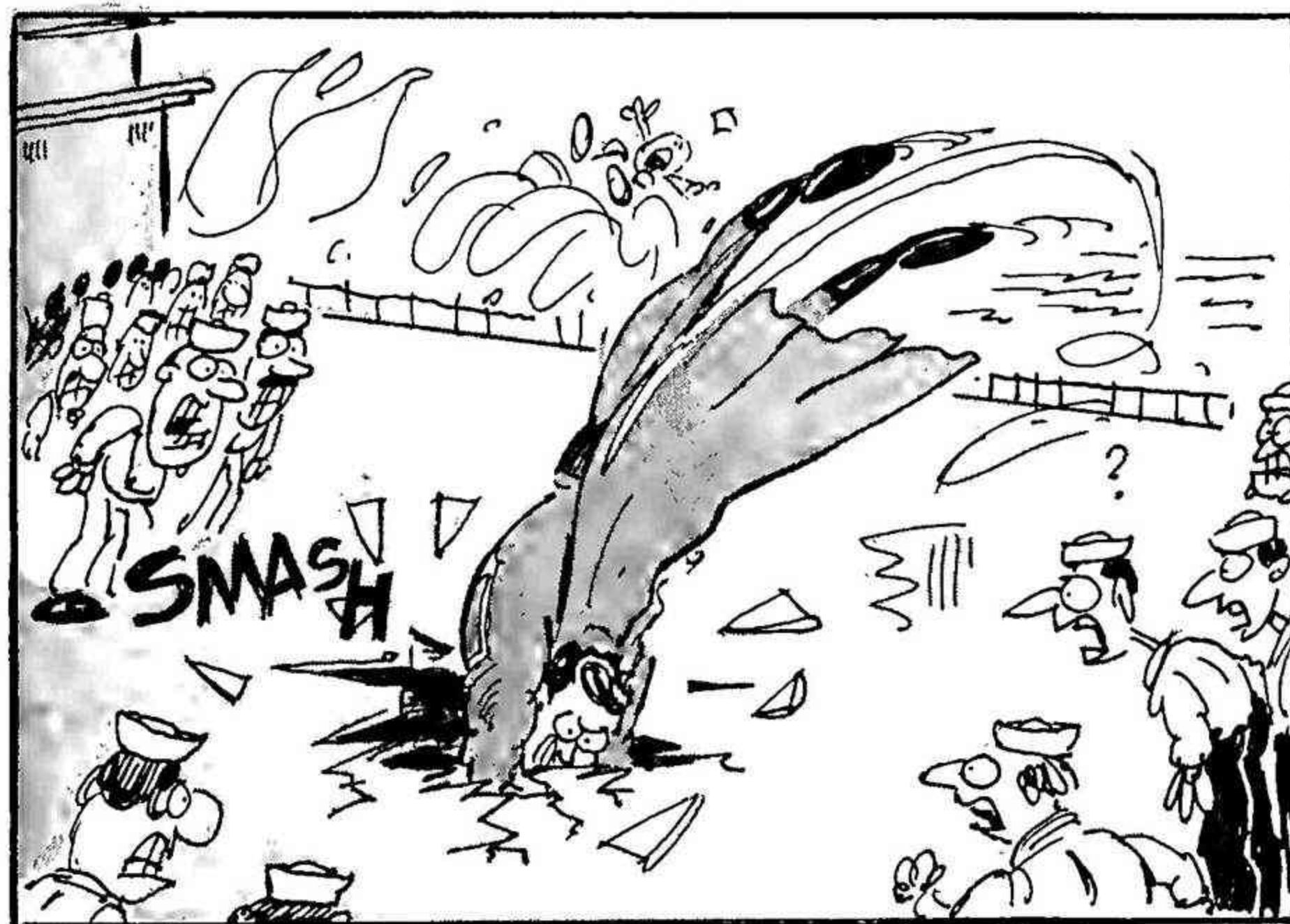
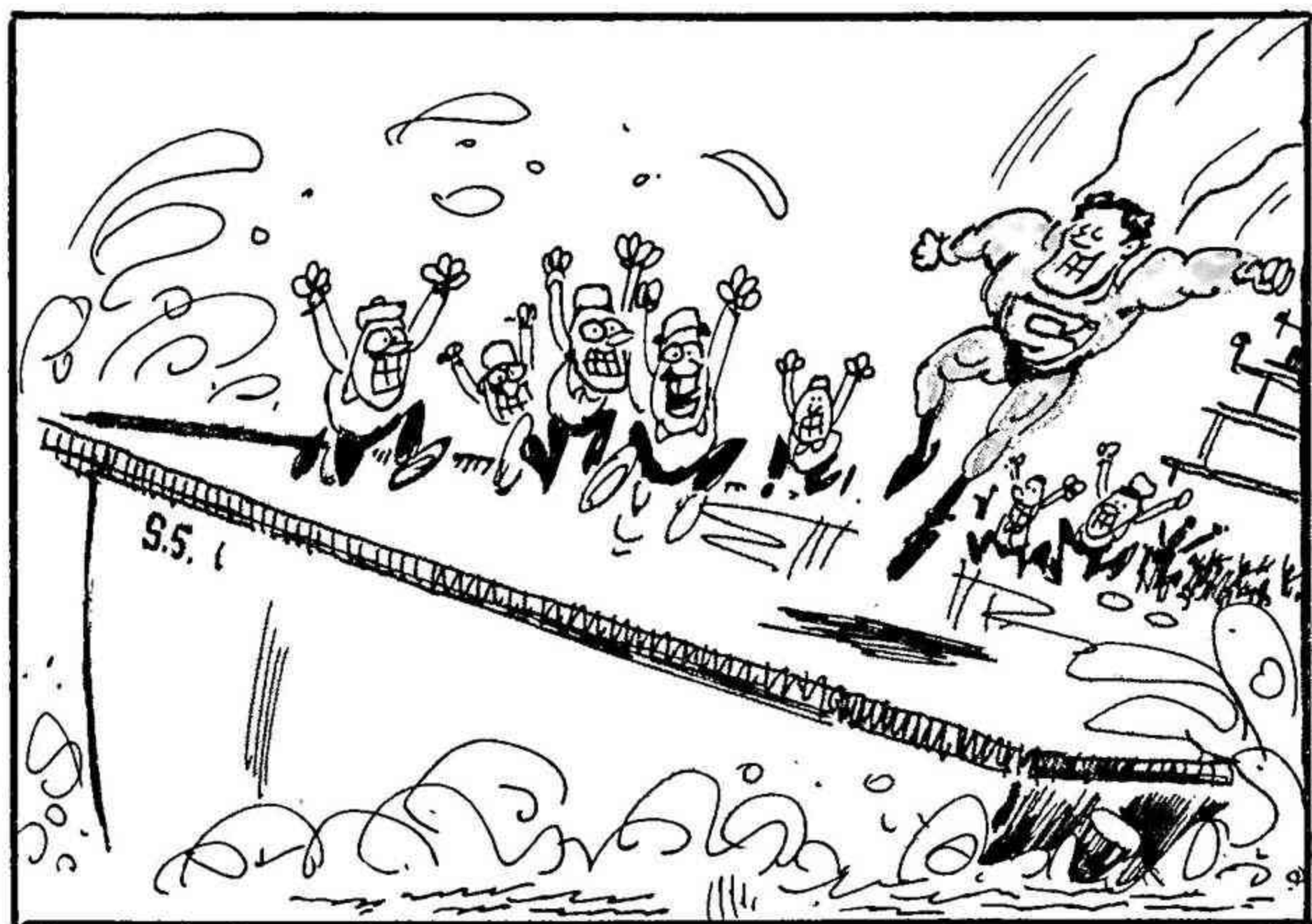
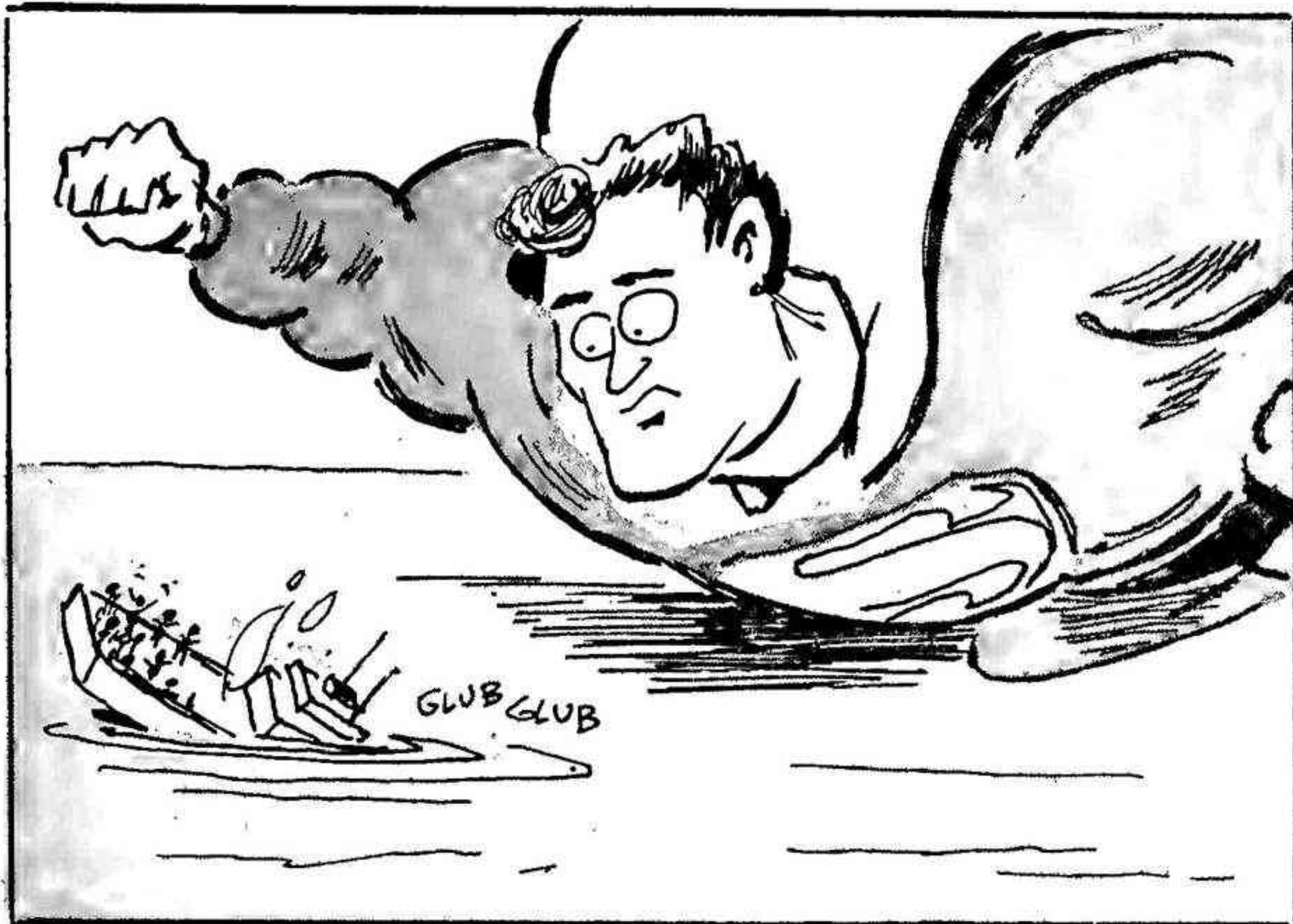
# ★ CANINE THE Barkbarian ★





BY  
ROGER BROWN  
+  
MIKE RICIGLIANO

# FROM BAD TO WORSE

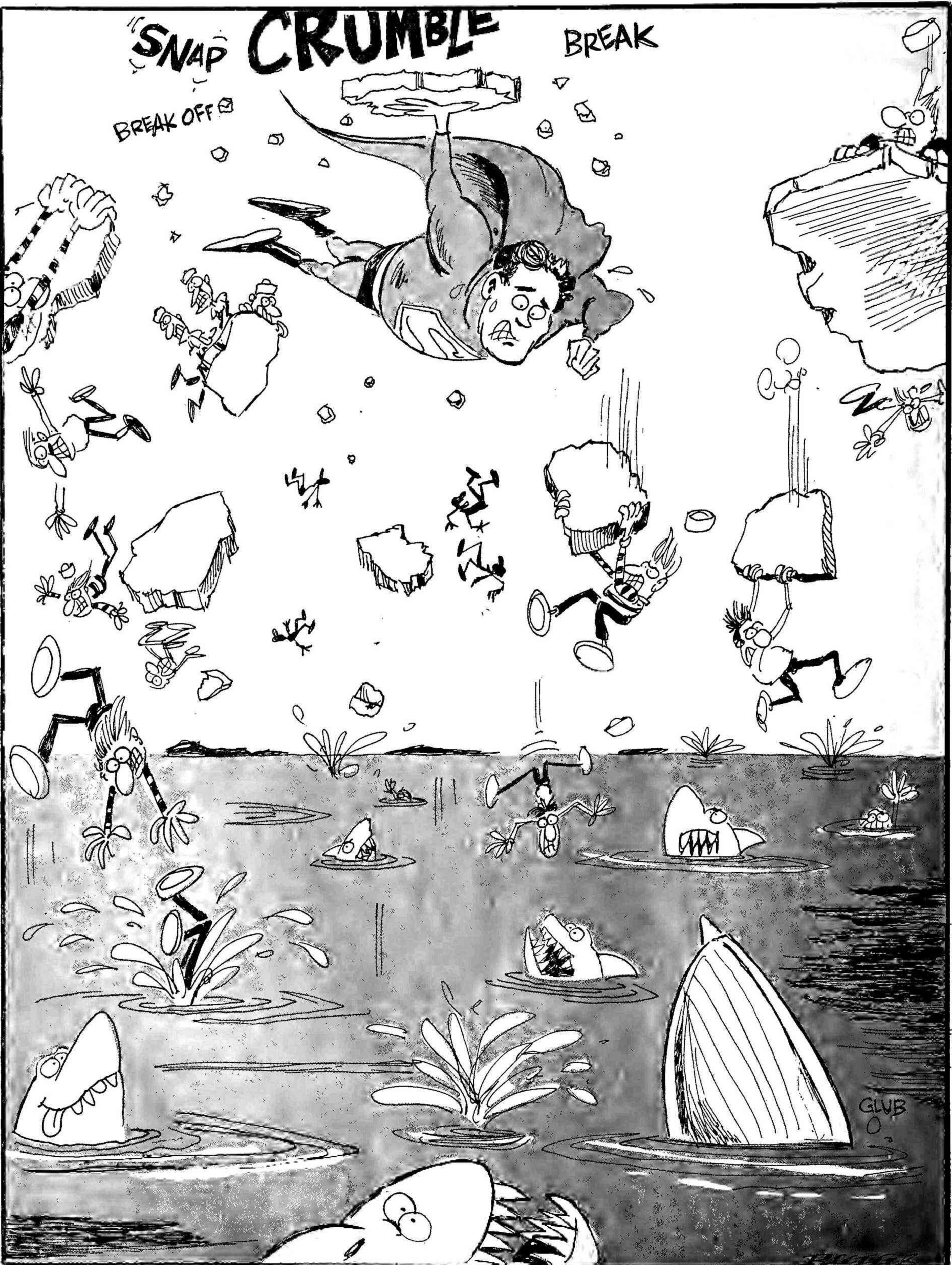




**SNAP CRUMBLE**

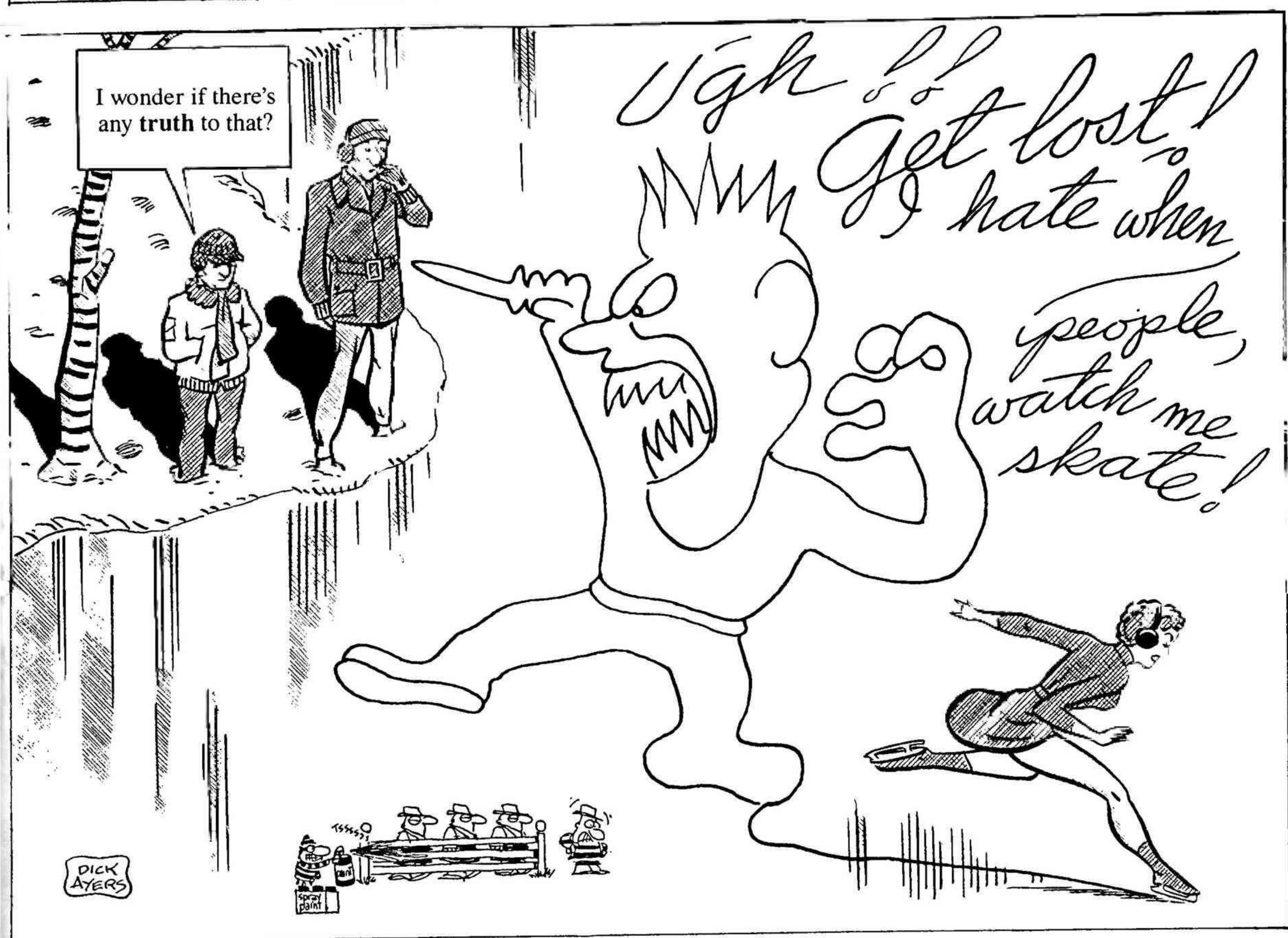
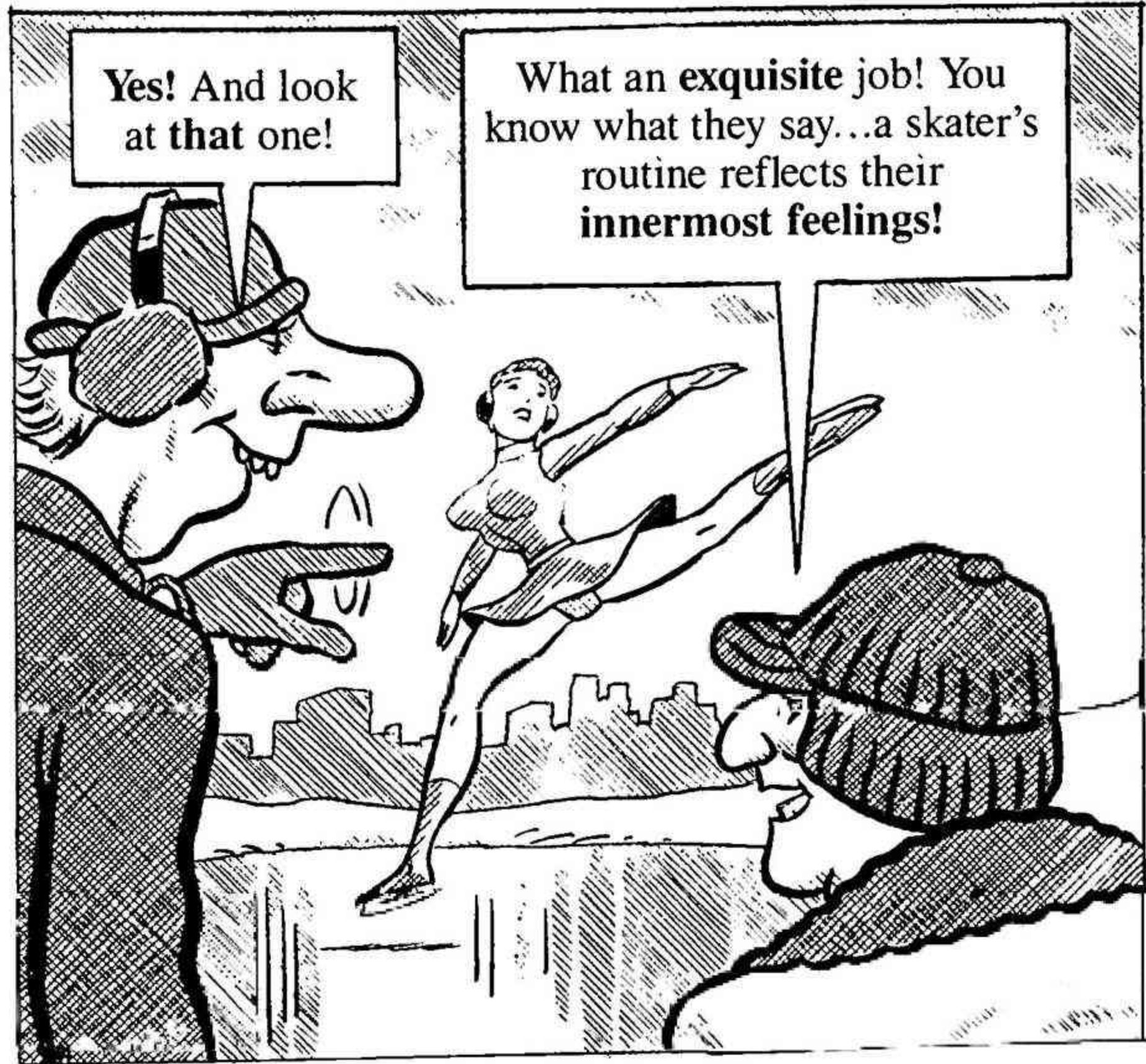
**BREAK**

**BREAK OFF**





# THE ICY RECEPTION!





It had to happen! The hottest mutant group in comics in their very own live action feature-length major motion picture! And CRACKED Magazine is proud to provide you with front row seats to the cinematic event you've all been waiting for...

Look, everyone!  
It's the Nuke  
Mewtants!!

*Big On*  
ALL-STAR CAST FIRST NIGHT  
— PREMIERE BENEFIT FOR  
— HOMELESS MUTANTS —

STOP PULL-  
ING ON  
YOUR LEASH!

Hey, Warschlock!  
Who does your hair  
— some comic  
book artist?? Ha  
Ha Ha Ha!

Looks like he  
draws your whole  
face! Haw Haw  
Haw!

Typical!  
Everywhere we  
go—Anti-Mutant  
Hysteria!

MUTANT  
INVITATION  
X-MESS  
the MOVIE

by Robert Loren Fleming  
and Bill Wray © 1988  
Inking by Tony Salmons

Here we are,  
ladies and  
gentlemen! A  
place of honor  
for our guests!

Sure, just us and  
thousands of grubby  
little readers of  
CRACKED  
Magazine!

Now, now,  
Ronn...don't be too  
hard on them. After  
all, they're  
mutants, too!

EXIT

RESERVED  
FOR  
MUTANT GUM

X-MESS  
THE MOVIE

Only CRACKED  
would brag  
about providing  
front row seats  
to a movie!

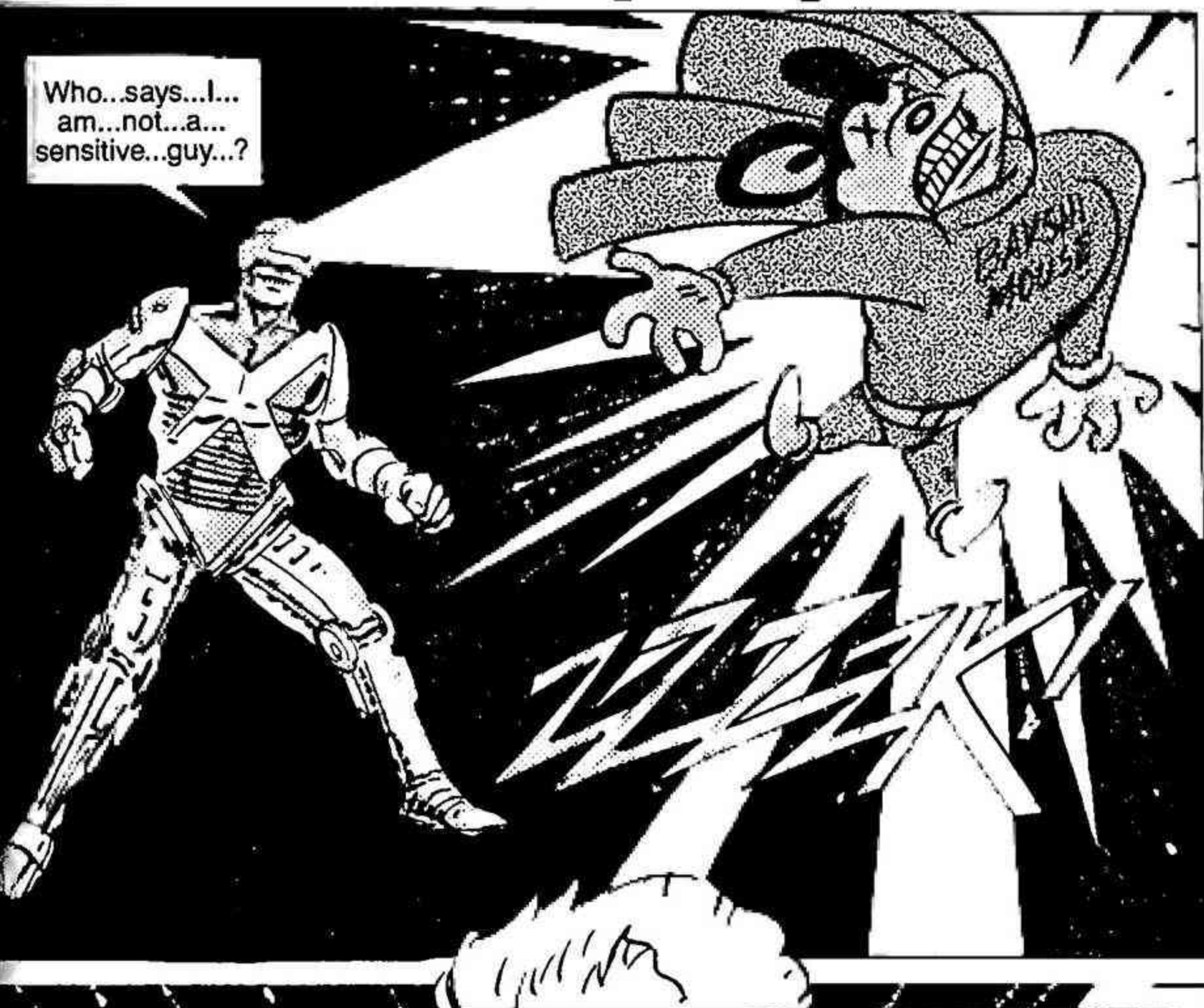
Mere-Rash...  
can you read  
that from this  
angle?

Read what?

Ayl  
Warschlock!  
Down in front!



starring **RoboCop** as **Eyeslot**



**Dolly Parton** as **Jean-X**



**Oprah Winfrey** as **Sturm**



**Arnold Schwarzenegger** as **Callouses**



**Whoopi Goldberg** as **Nutcracker**



**Nanny Dickering** as **Spazzler**





# Jessica Rabbit as Rouge



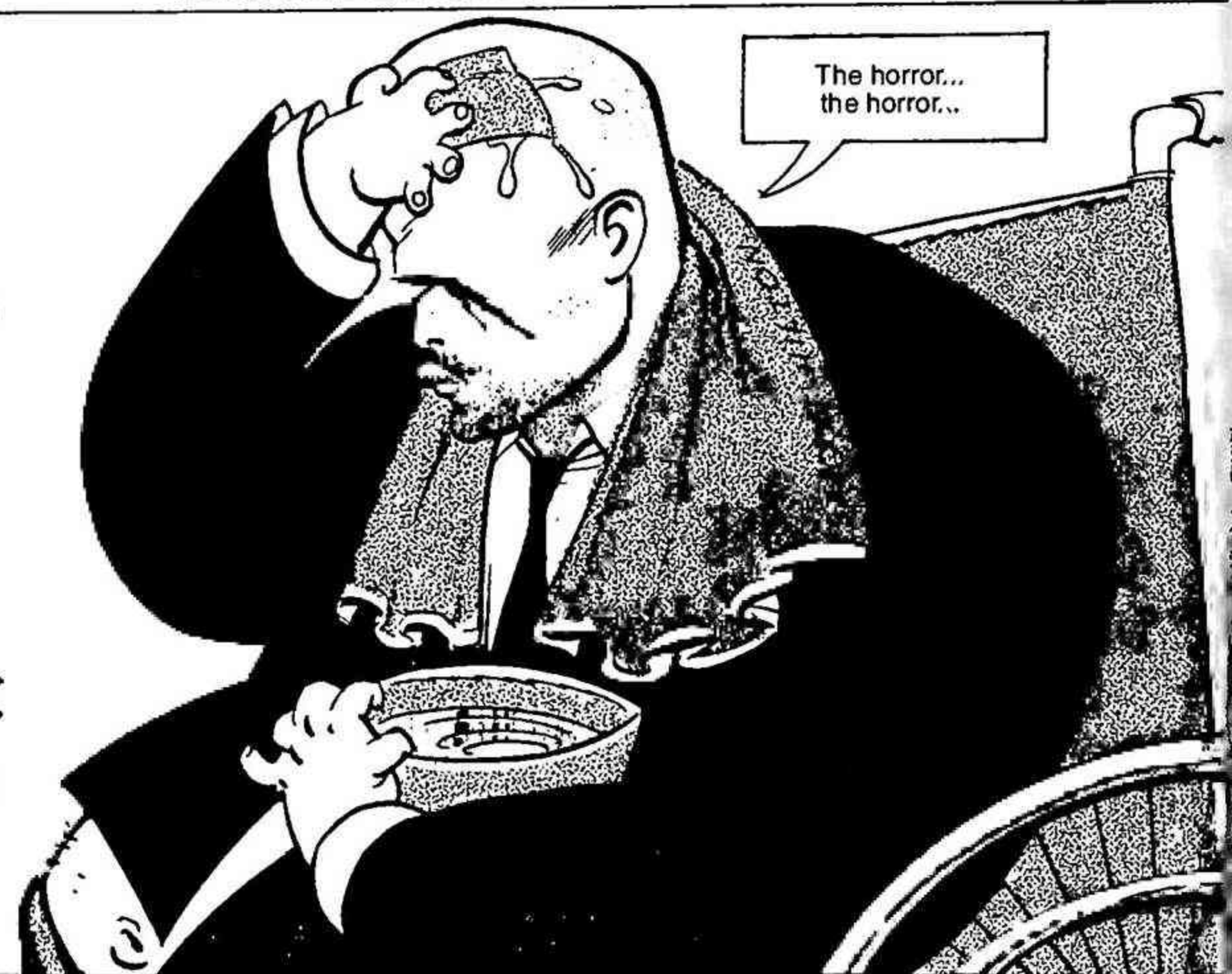
# Ed Grimley as Hamhock



# Freddy Krueger as Woofverine



# Special guest appearance by Marlon Brando as Professor Q-Ball





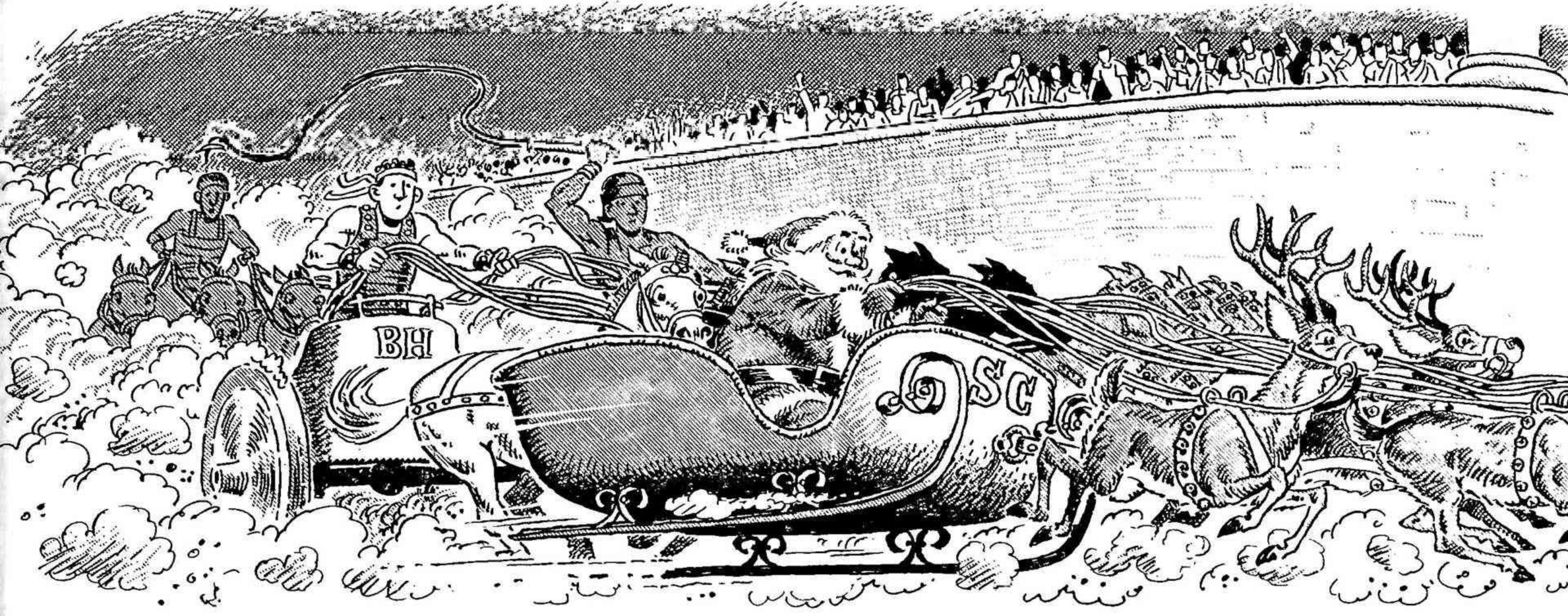
IMAGINE JOHN SEVERIN WITHOUT INK!  
SEVERIN: INKLESS! IT'S BRILLIANT!  
NEXT ISSUE: BLANK PAGES!

# IN·SANTA·TY

SEVERIN... WE'RE COMING TO SHINE YOUR INK!  
AND DON'T TRY RECHARGING! OR WE'LL HAVE SEVERIN!



"I TOLD YOU TO GO ON A DIET!!"



"COME ON LITTLE BOY, SIT ON SANTA'S LAP AND TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS!"





Send all comments, critiques and stink bombs to  
**CRACKED LETTERS, 535 Fifth Ave., NY, NY 10017.**

Dear CRACKED Workers,  
My cognitive capacity is nonexistent as it is inundated with CRACKED propaganda! My Mommy, Daddy, brothers and I greatly appreciate it, not to mention my beautiful wife and cute daughter.

Kurt D. Abrahamsen  
Dix Hills, NY

(Editor's note: The above letter was scrawled with a blunt crayon!)

Dear CRACKED,  
I think your magazine is awesome, dudes ...but you don't have enough Nanny Dickering! She is a hot mama! Please have her send me a personalized letter. Maybe we can do lunch one of these days! Your magazine is the best!

The Stew Man  
DuBois PA

If you're a real NAN FAN, then you know BILL WARD is up to his old sheNANigans and drawing our CRACKED Interviewer again! Next issue, she'll have TWO celebrity pow-wows as well as an ALL NEW MEETING with ELVIRA in the next CRACKED MONSTER PARTY!



Dear CRACKED,  
I have just started reading your rbooks and I like them better. One of the reasons I liked #240 so much was because of Freddy Krueger and he was funny, funny, funny! From now on I will read CRACKED! Only one problem, I'm in the 4th grade and my teacher does not like CRACKED as much as I do!

Brad Spencer  
Pryor OK

I think most teachers would feel different if they could see the piles and piles of letters, scripts and art work we receive from school kids. Not many other things they come in contact with motivates them to be so creative (school included) as CRACKED sometime does!

Dear CRACKED,  
My wife just turned 40 and I hit the dreaded age next year, but we both enjoy CRACKED and have read it since the mid-50's. We're too young to be senile, so we must still be kids at heart! The Saboteurs and Don Martin are our favorite features. We've also been fans of John Severin for three decades. We'd love to see more satires on comic strips like you've done with Duck Tales and Dick Tracy. One question: When Sylvester goes to bed, does he use a sweeping bag? Sorry, that was terrible.

Sever Thompson  
La Crescenta CA

You adults are gonna spoil our reputation of being a crummy magazine for kids! We only wish all the teachers who destroy our magazine felt the same way as you folks!

Dear CRACKED,  
I really enjoyed CRACKED 239! Spittlejuice was a great satire and so was Suds MacFrenzie! Could you make your magazines fireproof? I got caught reading one in class and my homeroom teacher, Mr. Andrus, burnt it! He thinks CRACKED is filthy material!

Chris Johns  
Port (No) Hope MI

Burning fine literature like ours is despicable! If Mr. Andrus has any sense of history, he should know many of the world's greatest minds were satirists and he should also know what kind of people are keen on book-burning!



**JASON HERVEY, star of ABC-TV's WONDER YEARS and many movies, dropped us this pic of himself enjoying our BLUNDER YEARS parody in CRACKED 239! Thanks, Jason and continued success with your hit TV show and career!**

**007<sup>ST</sup>**  
STAGE



**A NOTE TO OUR READERS  
FROM THE EDITOR**

I was recently in England to help promote the British CRACKED (which'll start in early 1989; for more info write: CRACKED c/o METROPOLIS PUBLISHING, 55 Waynflete Square, London W10 6UD, England) where I visited the Pinewood movie studios. Here's the 007 stage, the biggest movie set in the world, along with me, the biggest drip in the world! There I visited the BATMAN movie set and lemme tell you... It's gonna be one cool-looking movie! Look forward to an all-Batman issue next summer to help celebrate the flick and ol' Batty's 50 the anniversary! Cheers!

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**NEXT ISSUE**

**CRACKED #244:** A super happening with the King ELVIS, LA BAMBA, ALIEN NATION and more with an ELVIS cover by DON MARTIN and SYLVESTER as JOHN LENNON. Just \$1.49, on sale in February! A future collector's item!



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**I Saw a Commie Kissing Santa Claus**  
**Deck the Holocaust**  
**Siren Night/Violent Night**  
**Under the MX Missile-toe**  
**It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like**  
**the Apocalypse**  
**Jingle Bell Rocky**  
**God Blast Ye Many Communists**  
**Oh, Little Tank of Bethlehem**  
**I'll Be Home for the Holocaust**  
**We Arm the World**  
**Communists Roasting on an Open Fire**  
**Oh, Come All Ye Hateful**  
**Hark, the Air Raid Sirens Sing!**

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So, you thought there could never be more foolish TV game shows than **The Gong Show** or the **Newlywed Game**? Well, you're **wrong!** there's a new hit game show on **eMp-TV** that I, **Ben Dover** host from my basement. It degrades our contestants so badly and is in such **poor** taste, that it'll soon be syndicated nationally on broadcast TV! Obviously, such success is due to the fact that it's...

# REMOTELY CONTROLLED



Joe Catalano writer  
Frank Caruso artist



So! Here are our three contestants for today. Clayton, Sandy and Lardo are strapped to their Lazy Boy recliners both for their safety and so they can't escape from us when we start dumping on them! Clayton, pick our first category!



I'd like channel 8!

**Dead or Alive.** One of the truly great categories exemplifying the **class** this program has! I'll name a TV star and you tell me if they are currently **dead** or **alive**...Andy Griffith!



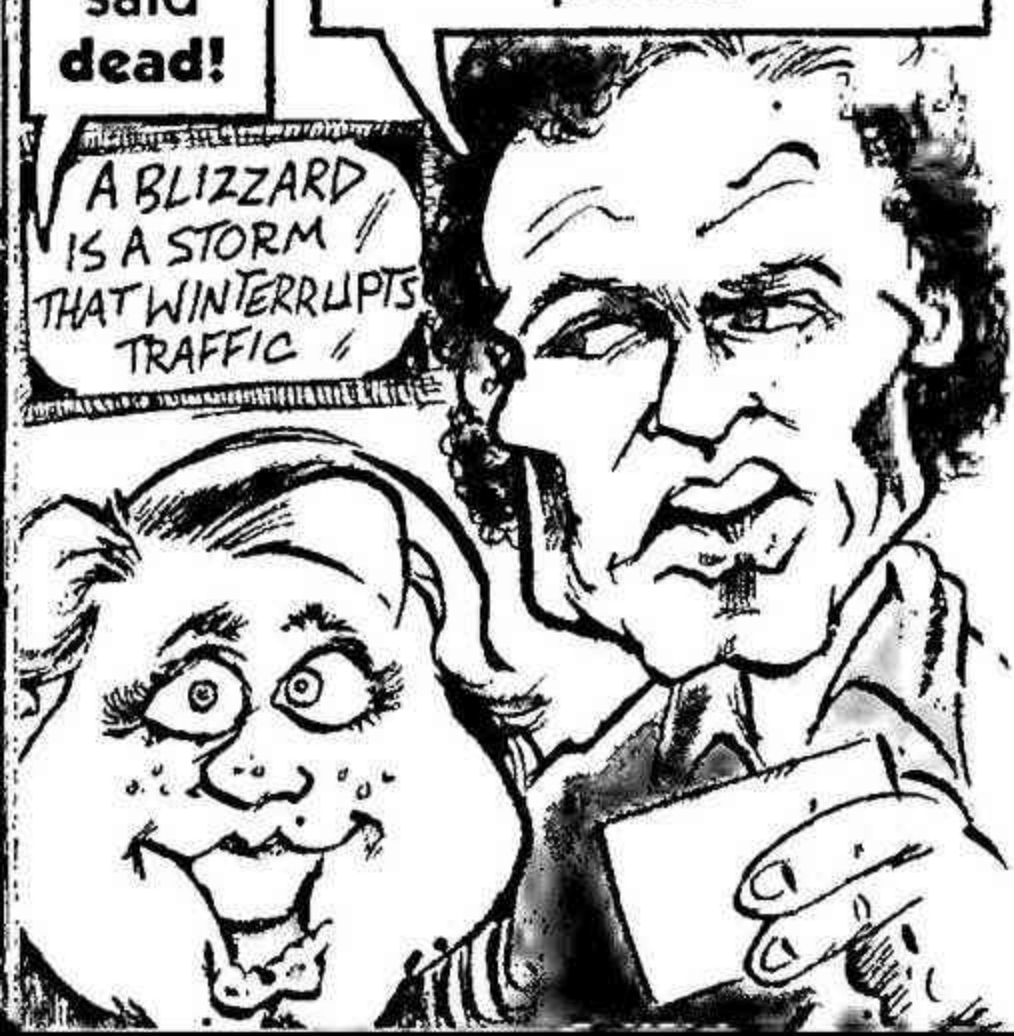
**Dead!**

Sandy, haven't you seen Andy acting lately on **Muttluck**?

Yeah, that's why I said **dead!**

Give that clown 10 points!

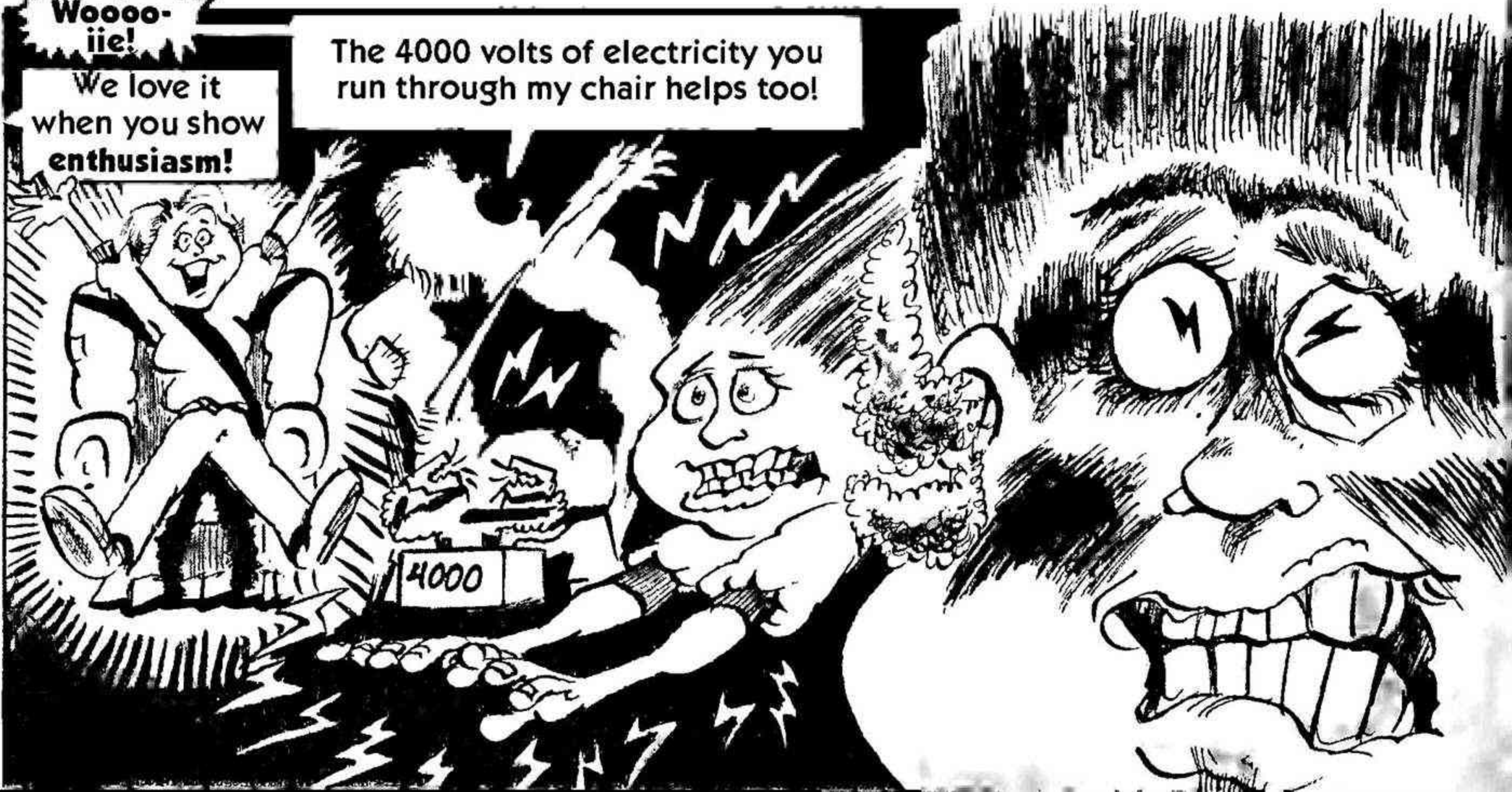
A BLIZZARD IS A STORM THAT WINTERRUPTS TRAFFIC



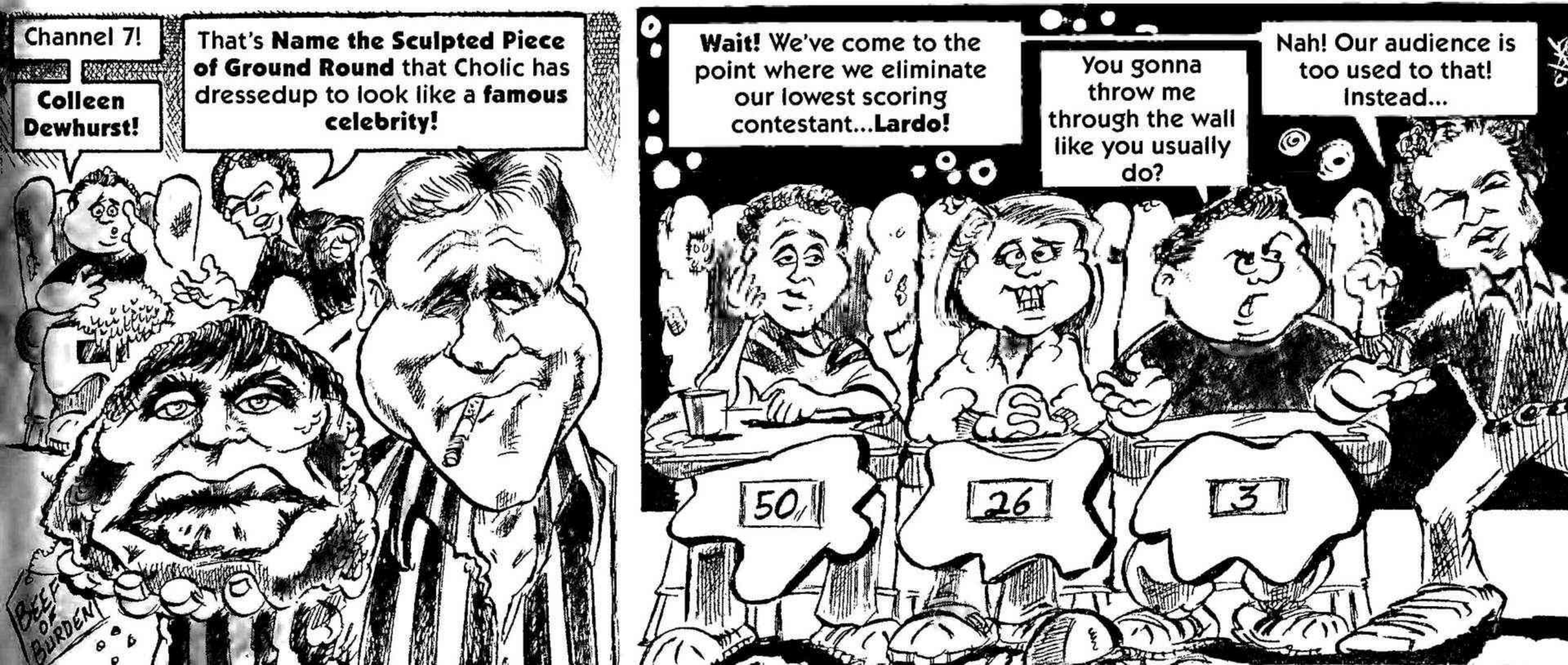
**Woooo-  
lie!**

We love it when you show **enthusiasm!**

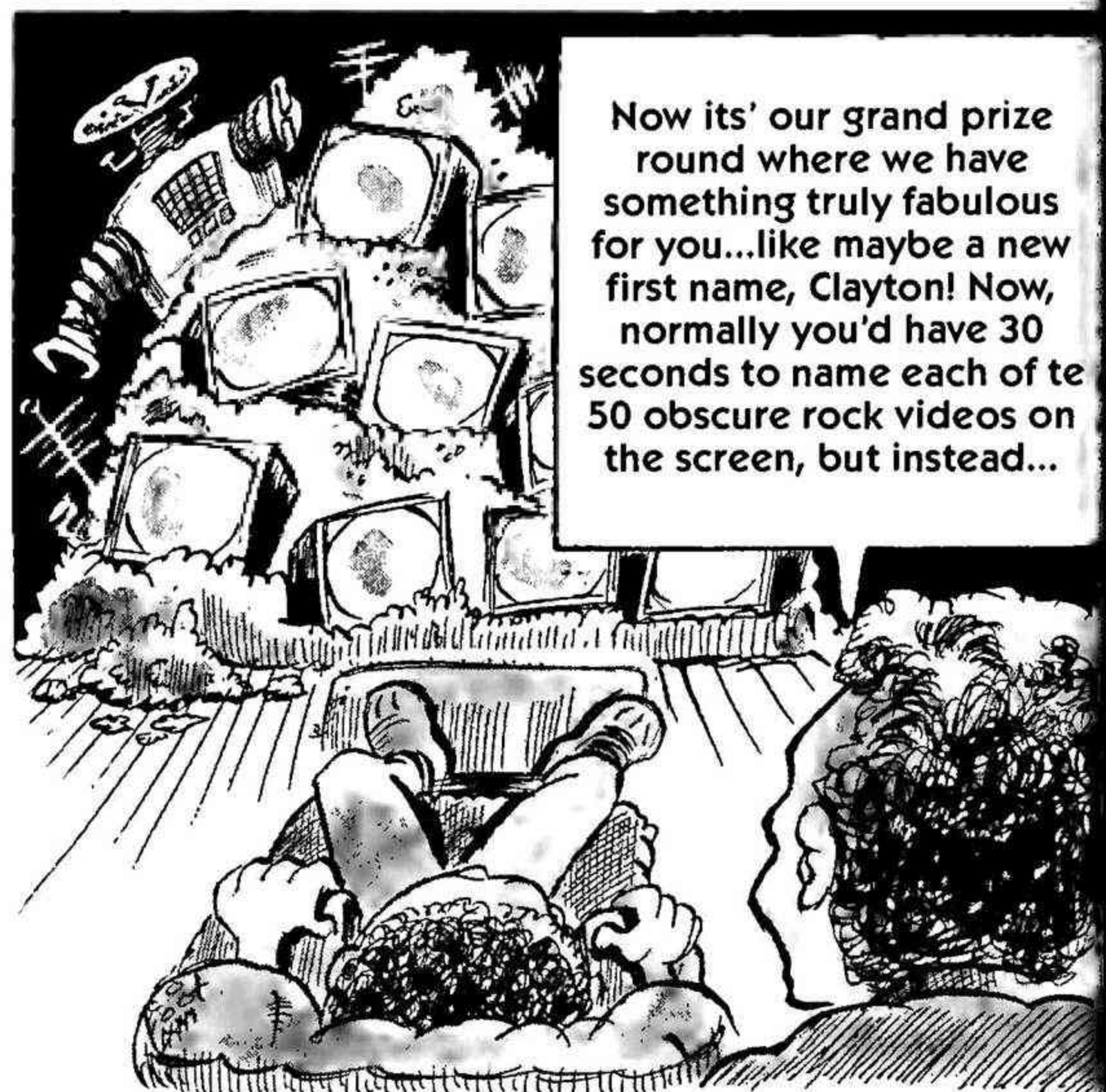
The 4000 volts of electricity you run through my chair helps too!













# HAZARDS OF: BEING A SUPERHERO

by Roger Brown and Mike Ricigliano

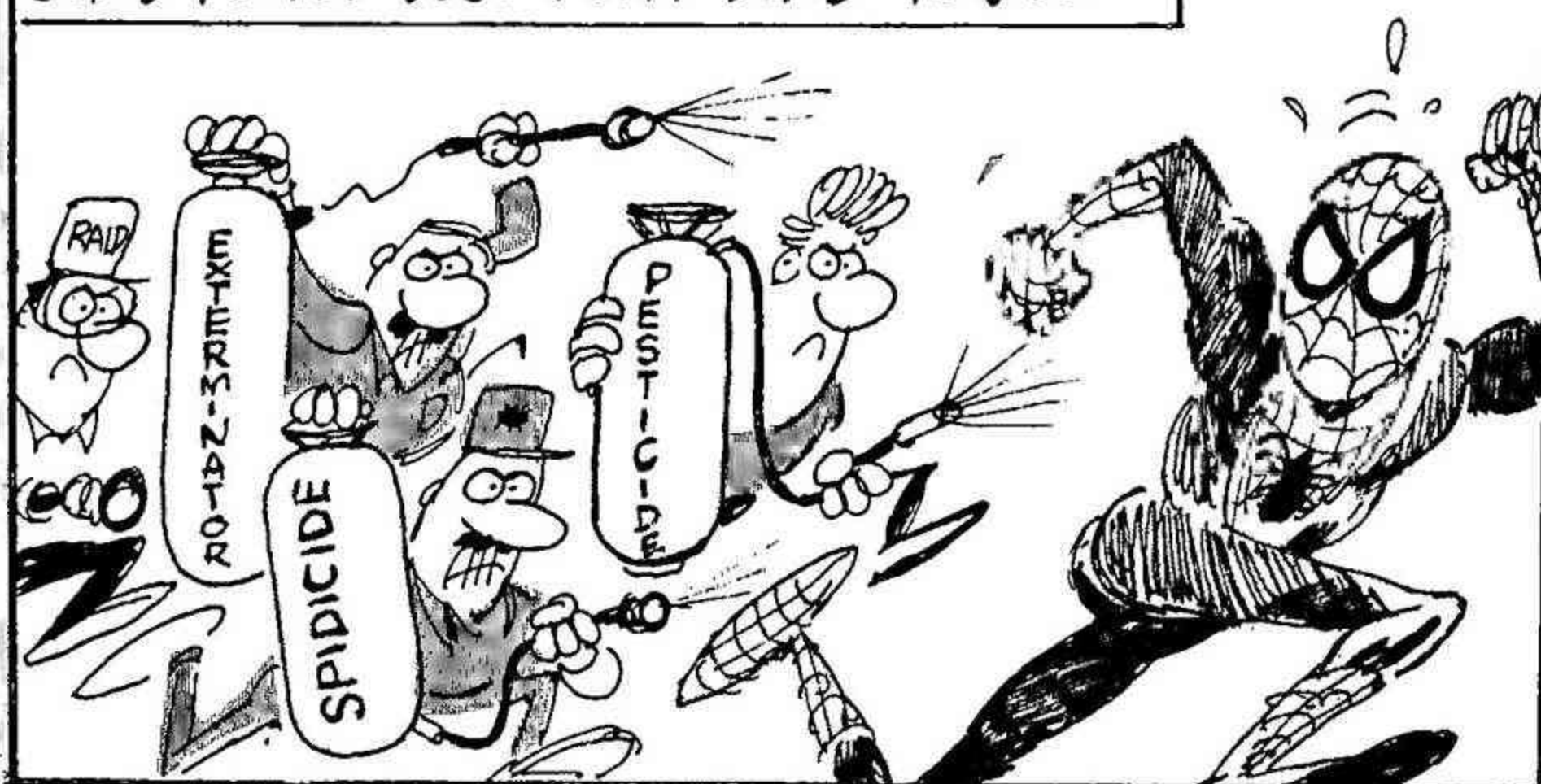
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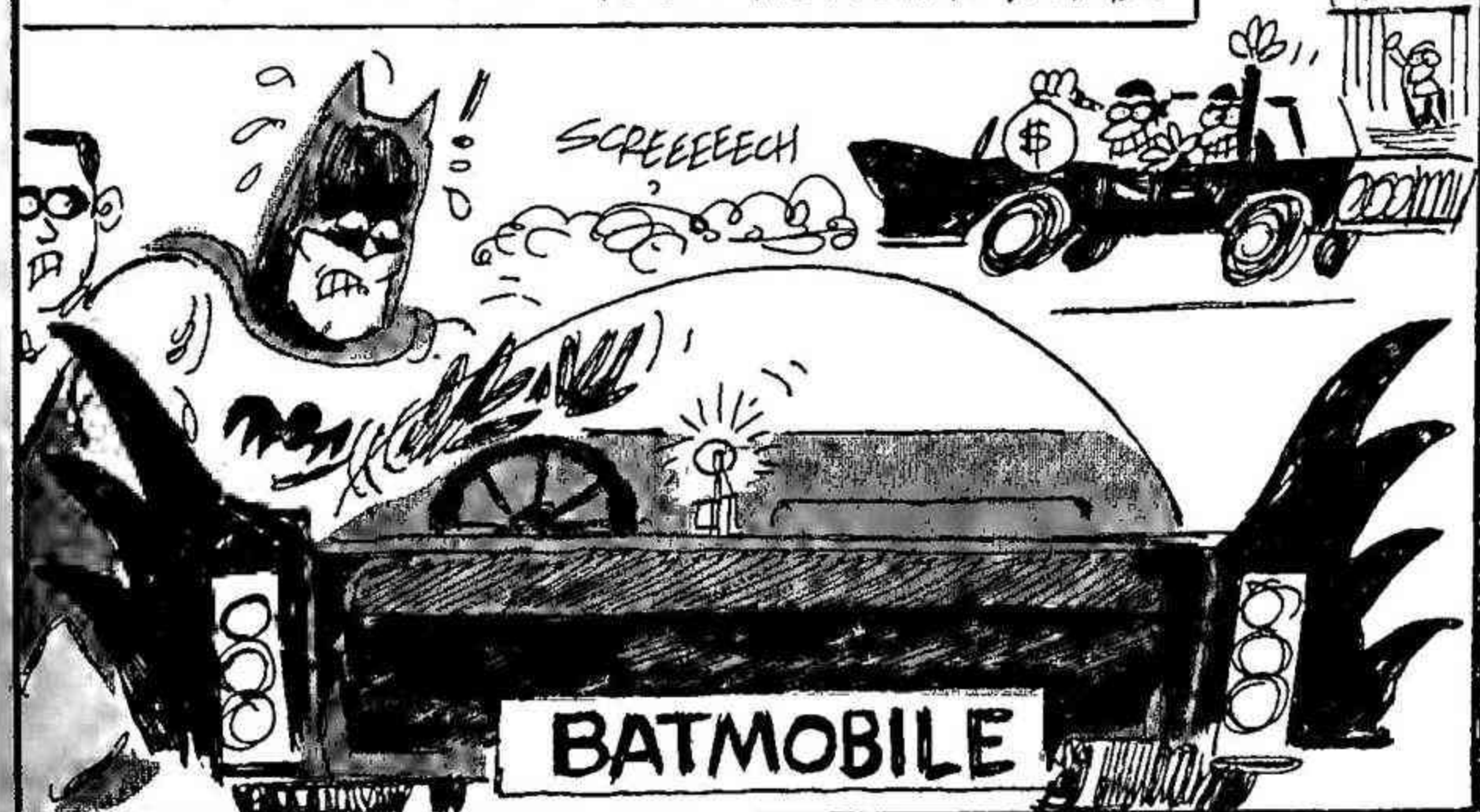
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## SOME PEOPLE JUST DON'T LIKE YOU:..



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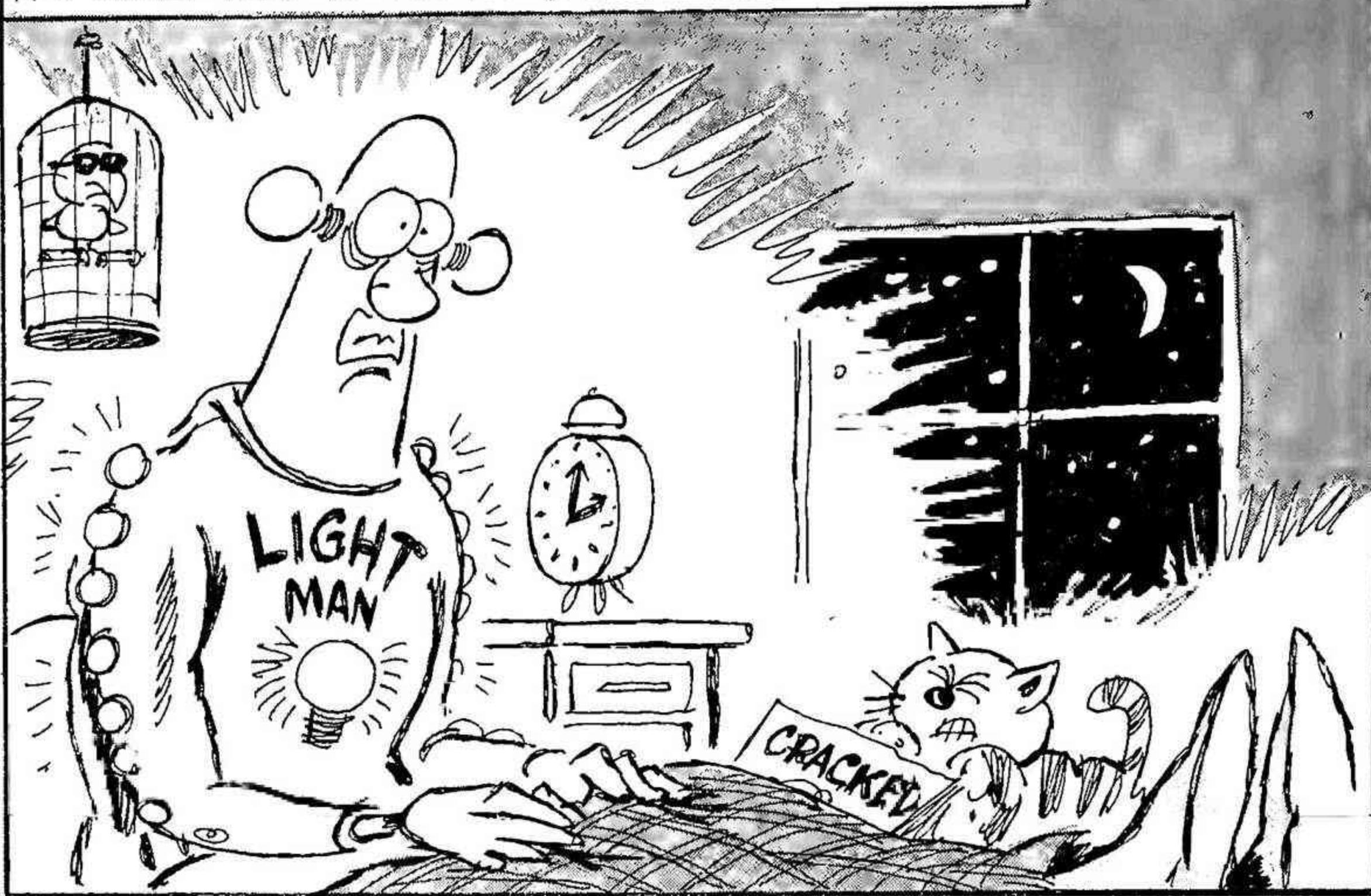


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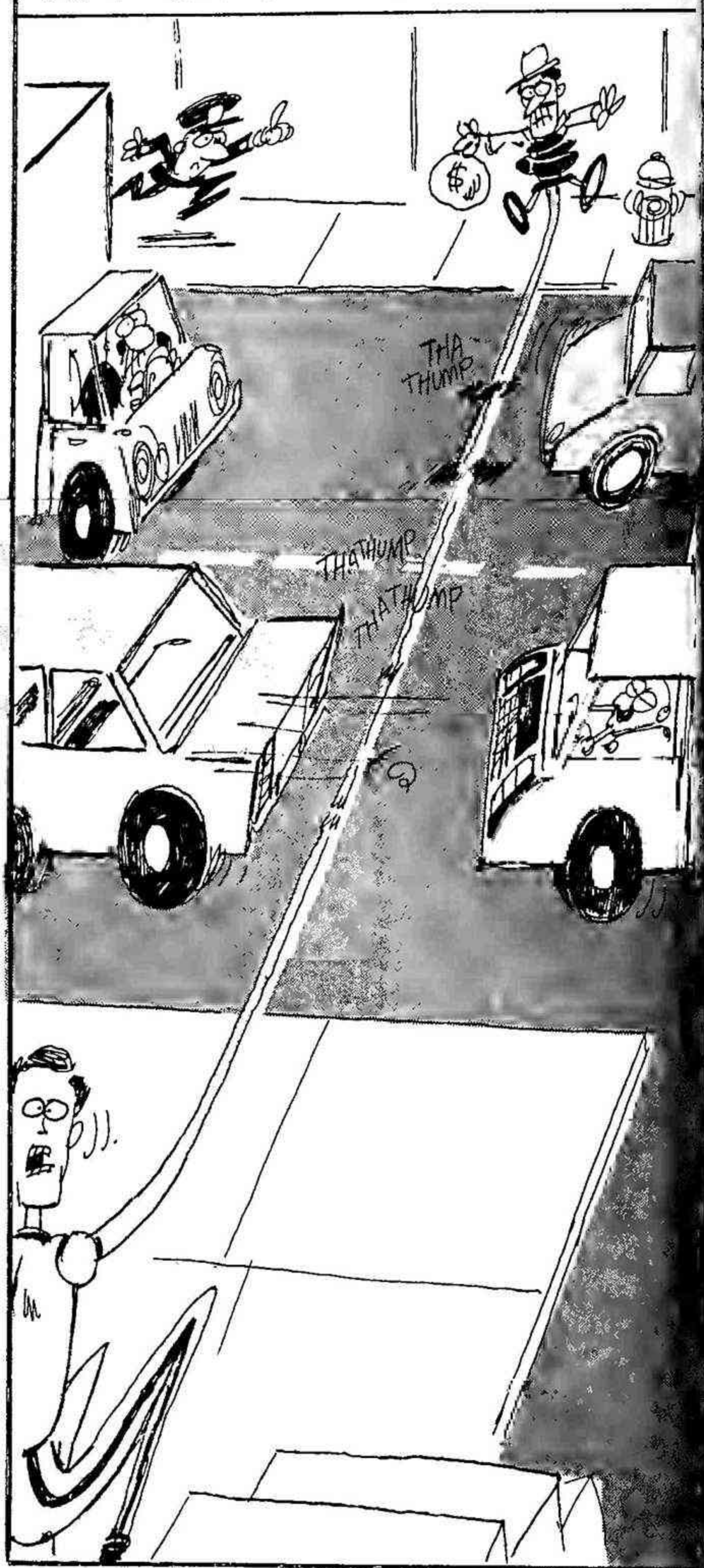




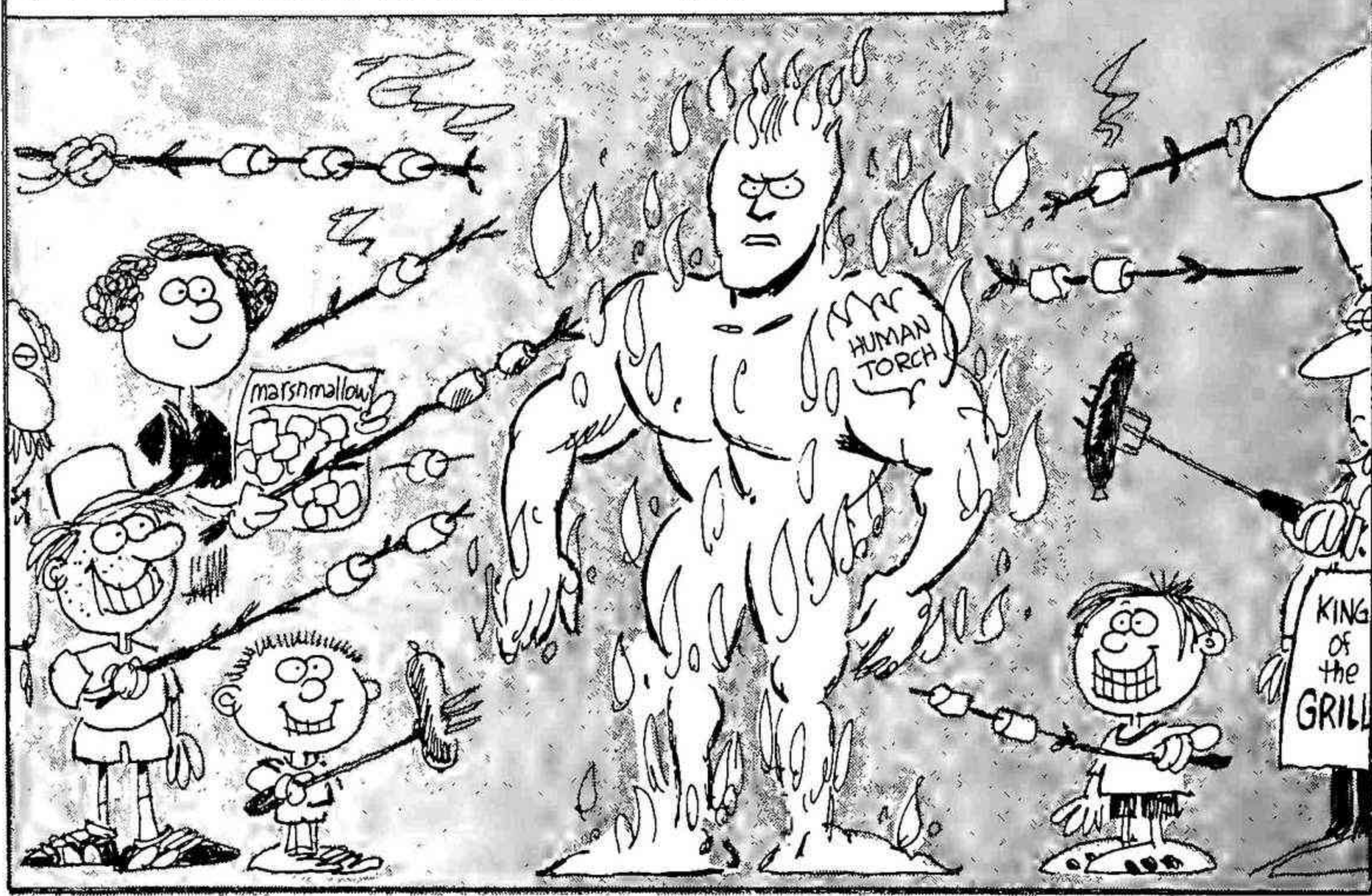
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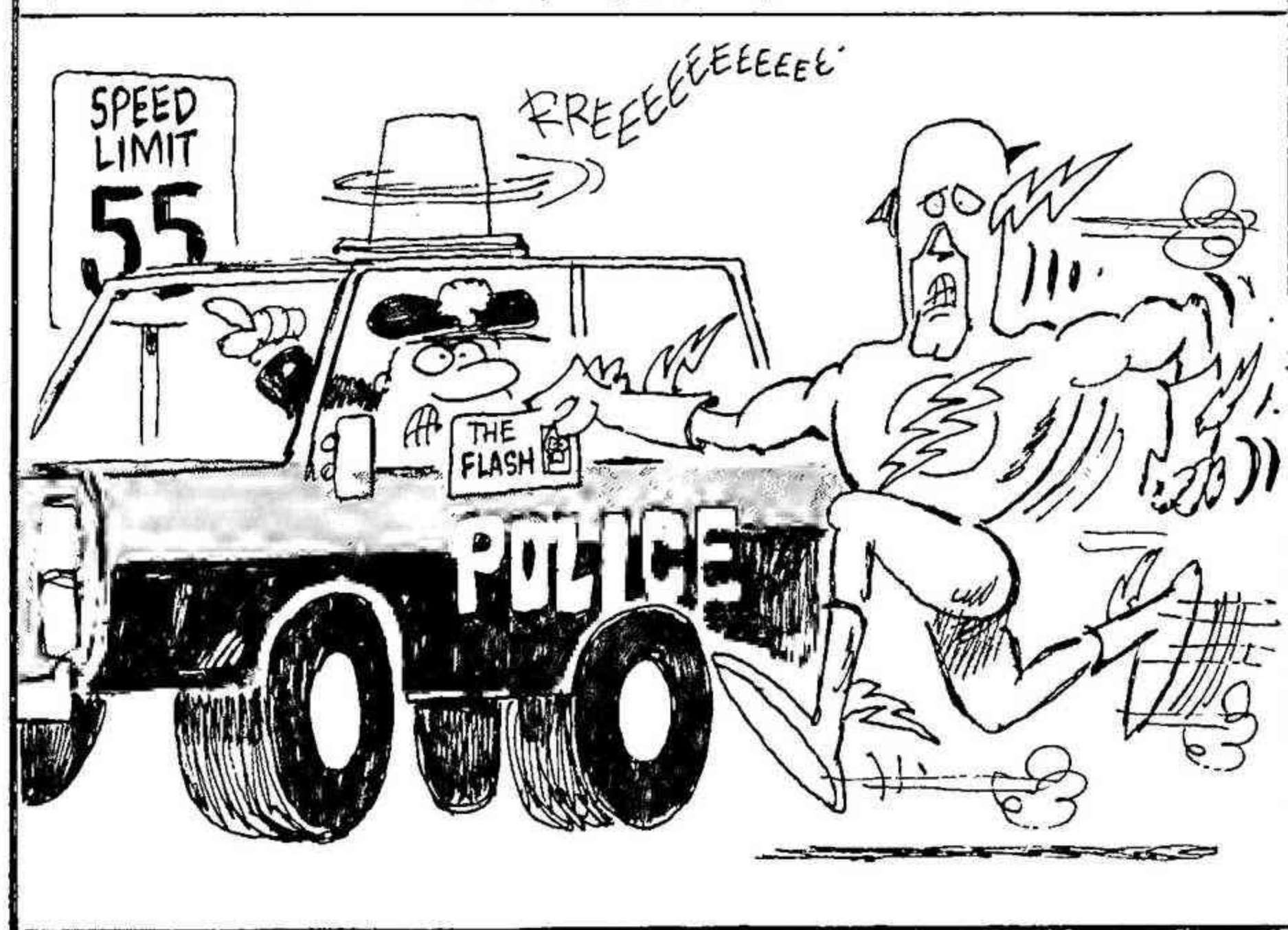
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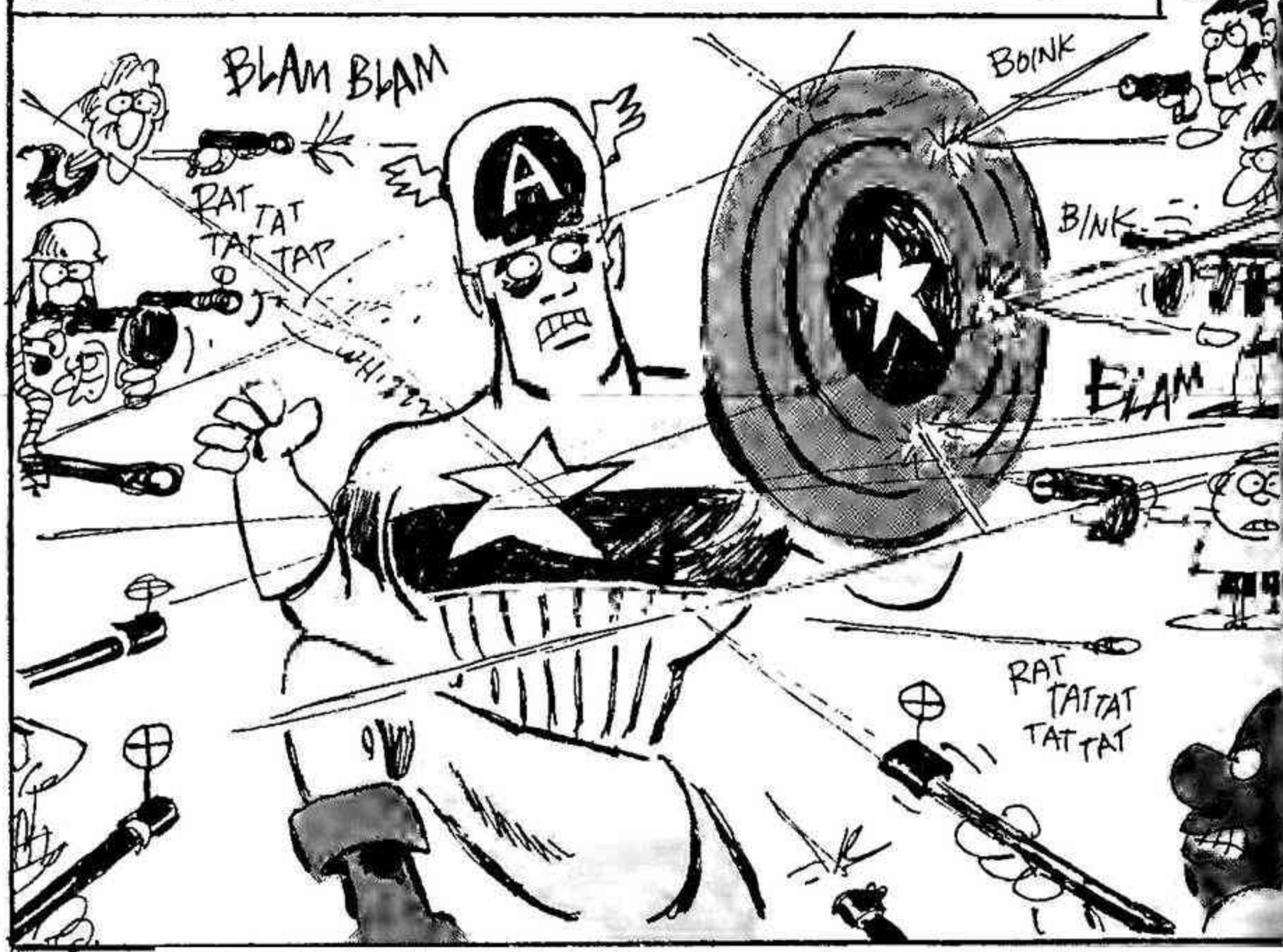
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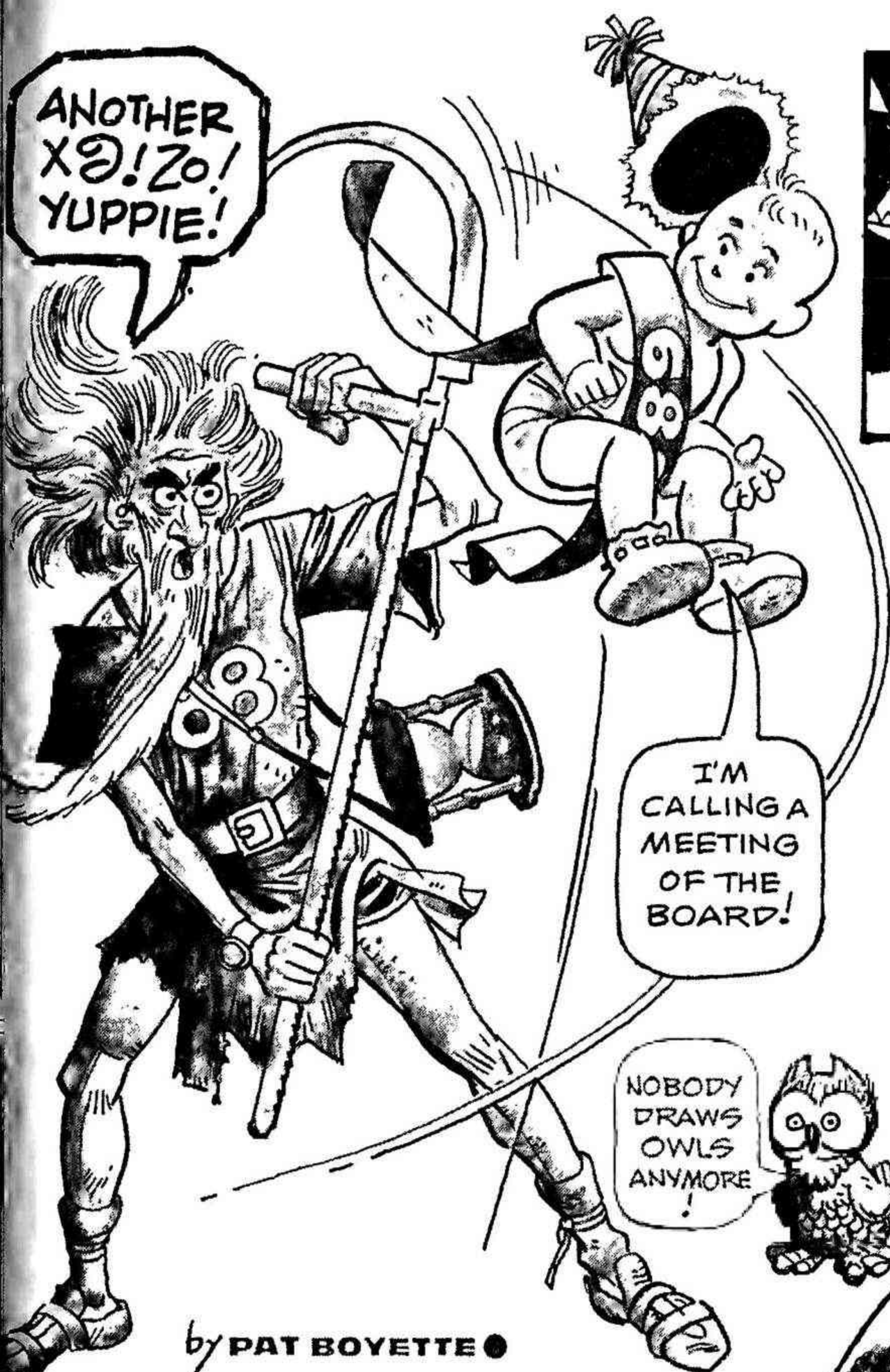


EVERYONE IN TOWN OWNS A GUN BUT YOU :





ANOTHER  
XO!ZO!  
YUPPIE!



I'M  
CALLING A  
MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD!

NOBODY  
DRAWS  
OWLS  
ANYMORE!



by PAT BOYETTE



OKAY-THIS IS THE YEAR WE FINALLY SET  
PRIORITIES-GET IT ALL ON TRACK-  
GET THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO IMPACT  
ON THIS AND THAT- SEPERATE THE  
WHEAT FROM THE CHAFE! THIS MAY  
BE THE YEAR WE ACHIEVE A MAJOR  
DIAPER RASH BREAKTHROUGH-WHICH  
BRINGS US TO PREDICTIONS FOR...

1989

ANNUAL  
TAX  
INCREASES  
WILL END!  
NOW, THEY  
WILL BE  
RAISED  
EVERY  
WEEK OR  
TWO! IT  
WILL HELP  
PEOPLE  
END THE  
SPEND,  
SPEND,  
SPEND  
CYCLE!



WONDERFUL!  
I CAN WEAR  
THIS DRESS  
FOR ANOTHER  
YEAR!

AND I CAN  
HAVE MY  
SOLES HALF  
TOPPED!

I LOVE  
THAT SHOE



THE PRINT  
MEDIA WILL  
DROP ALL  
HOROS-  
COPES!  
...EXCEPT  
FOR LEO!  
LEOS ARE  
TOO  
PRECIOUS  
TO BE LEFT  
WITHOUT  
GUIDANCE-

AND

WITHOUT  
MONEY!  
IF YOU KNOW  
A LEO-SLIP  
HIM A COUPLE  
OF BUCKS-  
HE'LL  
APPRECIATE  
IT! ( IF YOU  
NEED THE NAME  
OF A LEO -THE  
ARTIST WILL  
HAPPILY  
SUPPLY ONE!

I AM A LEO-I AM A KING  
-I AM WITTY, LOYAL, LOVEABLE  
AND SUPERIOR!

I THINK  
IT'S  
MODESTY  
THAT'S  
HOLDING  
THIS KID  
BACK!



IF HED  
JUST  
LOOSEN  
UP!



MORE FOLKS  
WILL BE  
BORN WITH  
VERTICAL  
EYEBALLS  
SO THEY  
CAN  
BETTER  
WATCH  
ROUND  
BALL!  
HUH?

TO ACHIEVE  
ULTIMATE  
EXCITEMENT,  
THE NEW  
'WHEEL OF  
FORTUNE'  
BOARD WILL  
HAVE ONLY  
'BANKRUPT'  
SLOTS WITH  
ONE 'FREE  
SPIN' SLOT  
TO EASE THE  
INCREDIBLE  
TENSION!



I  
CAN'T  
STAND  
IT!

WAAA

CANCEL 1989  
WE'RE GONNA  
DO 1988  
OVER AGAIN!

THINK OF  
ALL THOSE  
NOSTALGIC  
T.V. RERUNS

OKAY,  
WRITERS  
HIT THE  
STREETS!





Just as sure as the sun will rise, so will a new calendar come out each year from Argus by CRACKED's crackeddest artist, DON MARTIN! Here's an excerpt from the latest, greatest 1989 edition, entitled...

# DON MARTIN'S LIFE CAN BE SO EMBARRASSING!





Okay, go get a popcorn refill, 'cause it's time for our second CRACKED holiday feature. Thanks to TV technology, you can usually catch this flick two or three times a day around Christmas! Here it is, without commercial interruption...the uncolorized version of...

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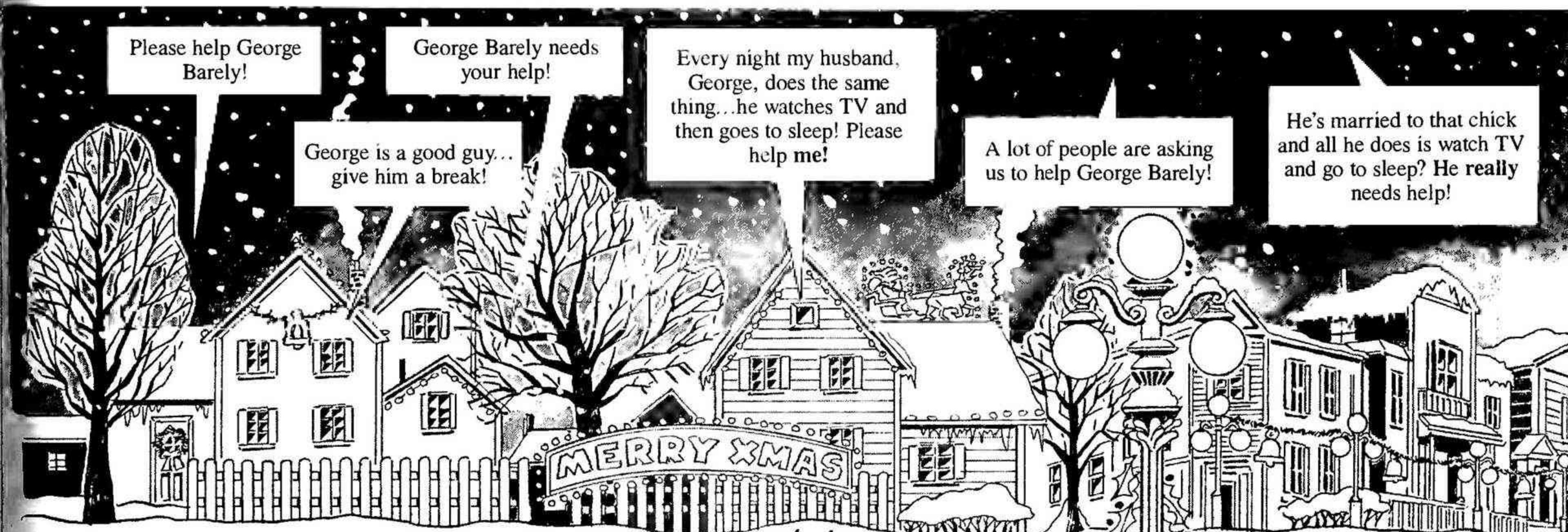
STARRING:

CHEVY CHASE as  
GEORGE BARELY

JOHN HELUSHI as the  
Angel CLEARANCE

CHER as  
HAIRY

And making his acting  
debut, ED KOCH as  
MR. ROTTER

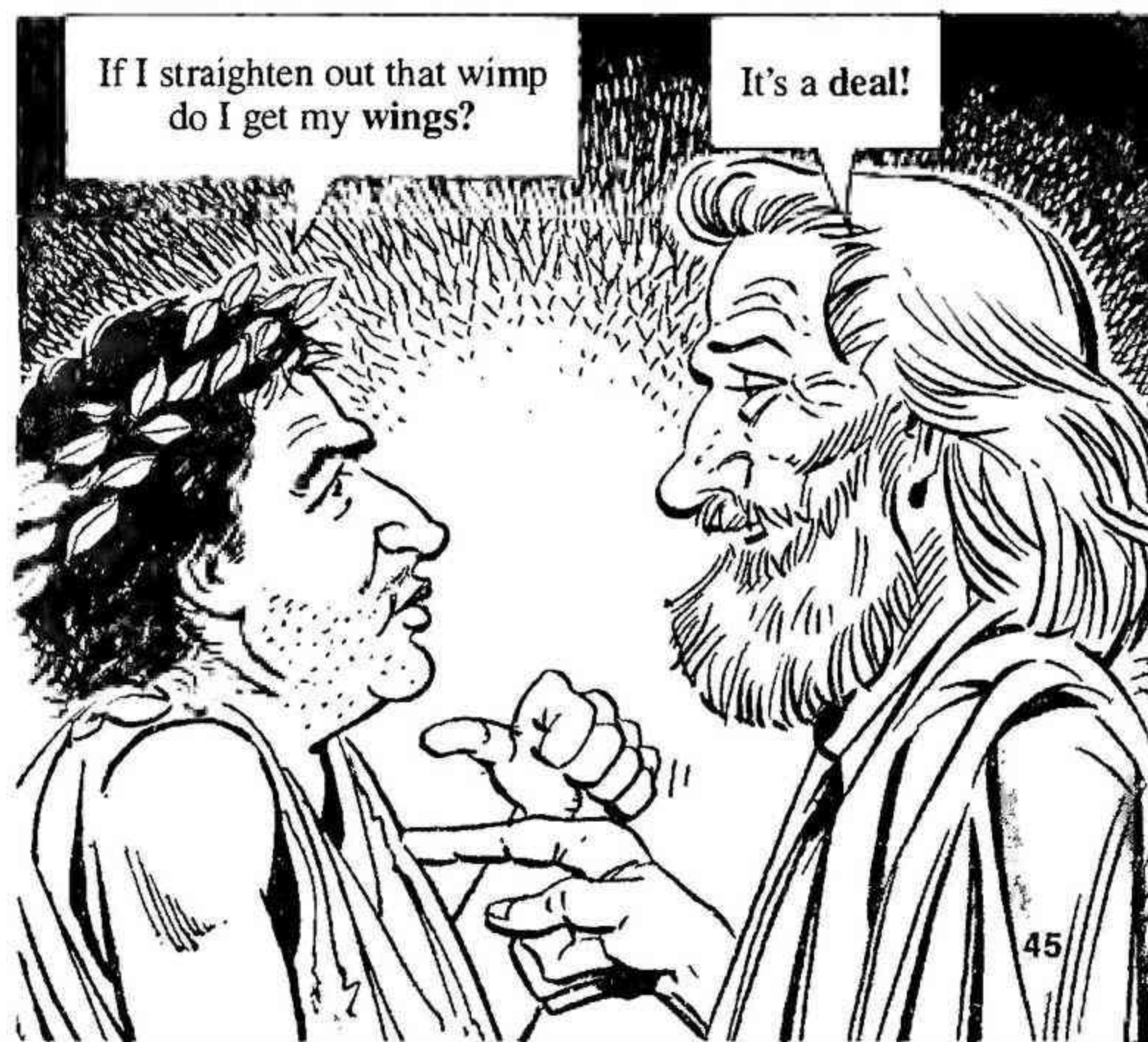
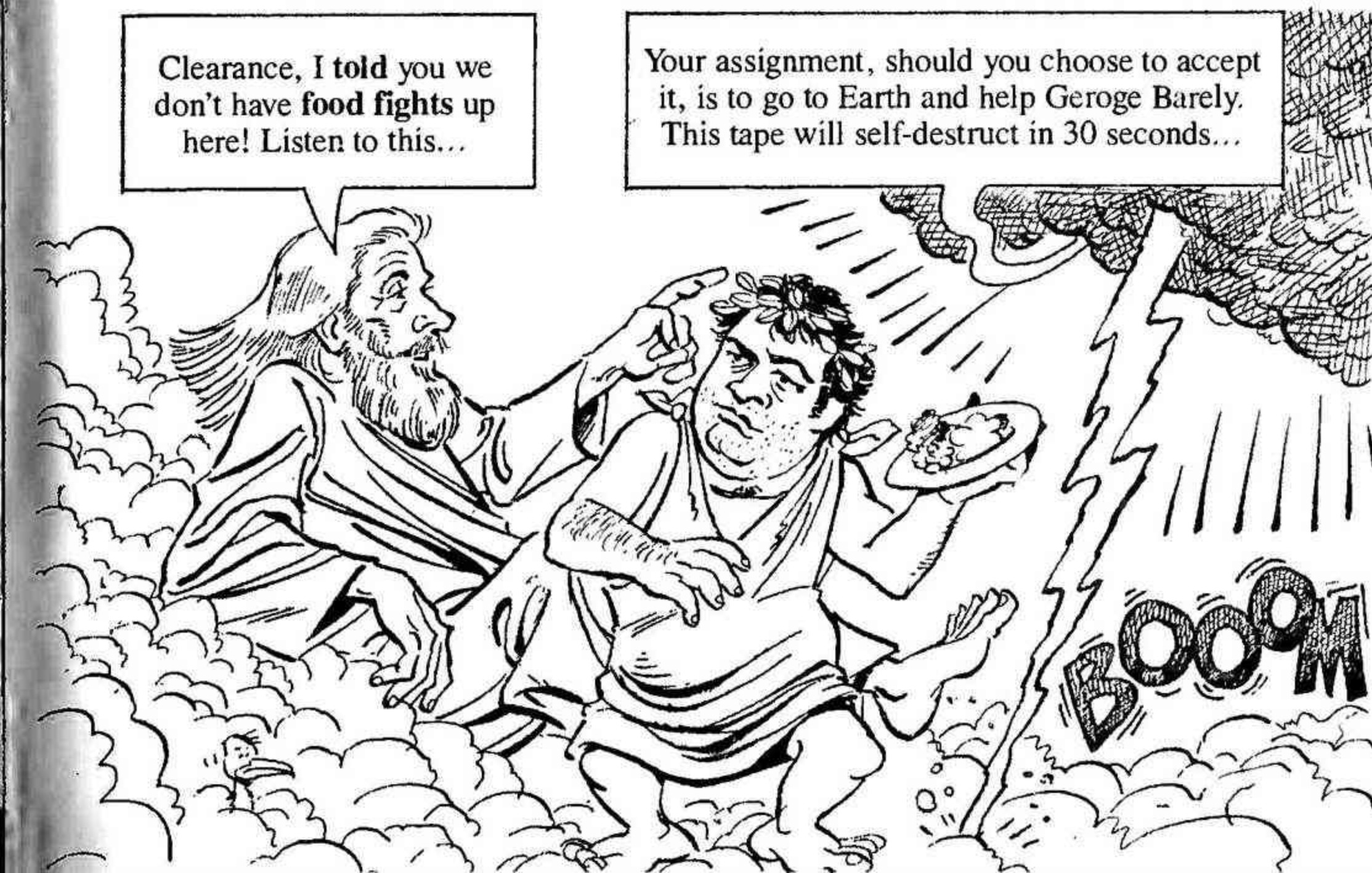


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Can you get the **Playboy Channel** on this thing?

What a klutz!

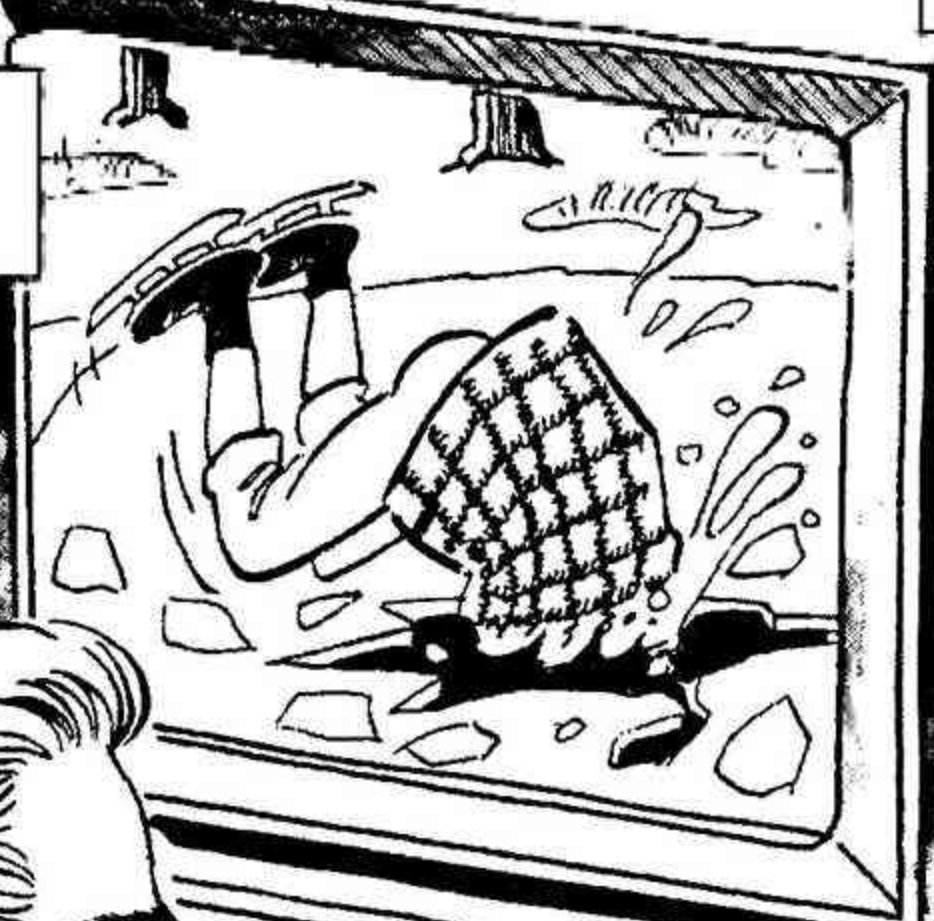
Hey! Another kid fell on top of him!

Are you alright, Hurry?

You had us worried!

I'm fine, guys!

This is George Barely when he was 12 years old!



That's George's brother, Hurry! He landed on George and that saved Hurry's life!

Hey, fellas, what about me?

George's father operated a Building & Loan company. Mr. Rotter, the richest man in town, wanted to take over Mr. Barely's business!

Mr. Rotter, I'll need a few more days to pay back the loan you gave me!

If I did that, they would lose their homes and they wouldn't have any place to live!

Why don't you foreclose on some of those freeloaders to get the money?

What's wrong with the train stations? Or the parks? ...and we have plenty of welfare hotels!



This is George at his high school graduation dance...

Gosh, Hairy, I'll bet we win this old dance contest! None of the other kids know how to do the **Charleston**!

George, I've got news for you...this is a **break-dancing** contest!

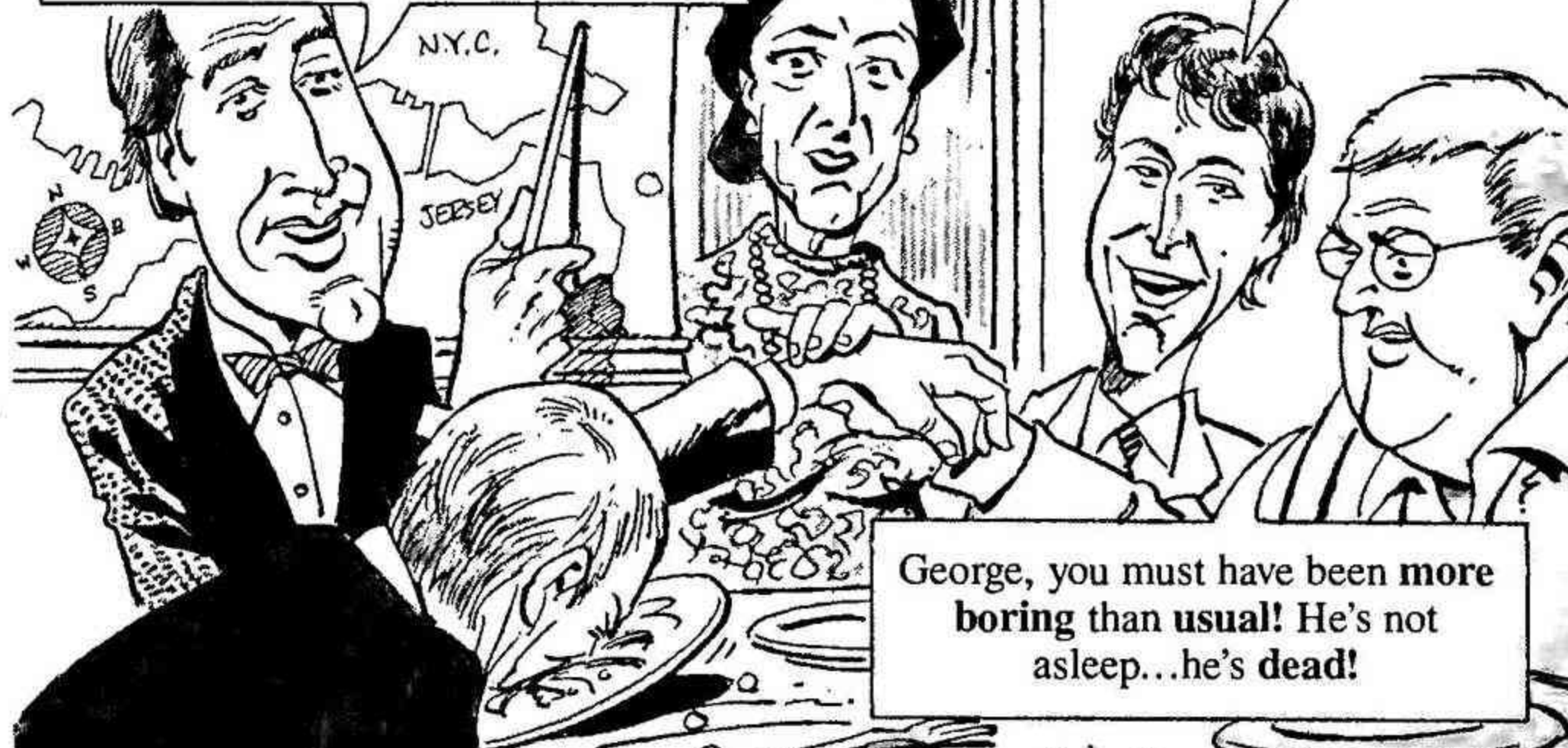


After graduation, George helped out at the loan company and saved his money...

I've saved enough for college and a trip on a cattle boat to some really swell exotic places! First, I'll hit Hoboken, New Jersey...then Staten Island and...

What's the matter with Dad?

(yawn) George was boring him with his travelogue and I guess he fell asleep!



George, you must have been more boring than usual! He's not asleep...he's dead!

Hey, look! That klutz, George Barely, fell into the pool!

George, when I said I like to dip, I didn't mean in the swimming pool!





Hurry, now that Dad is gone, I have to take care of the loan business. You take my life savings and go to college and when you finish you can take over for me and I'll go to college!



George, you're...I can't think of the right words!

A swell fellow?

No...I was thinking like...oh, dork!



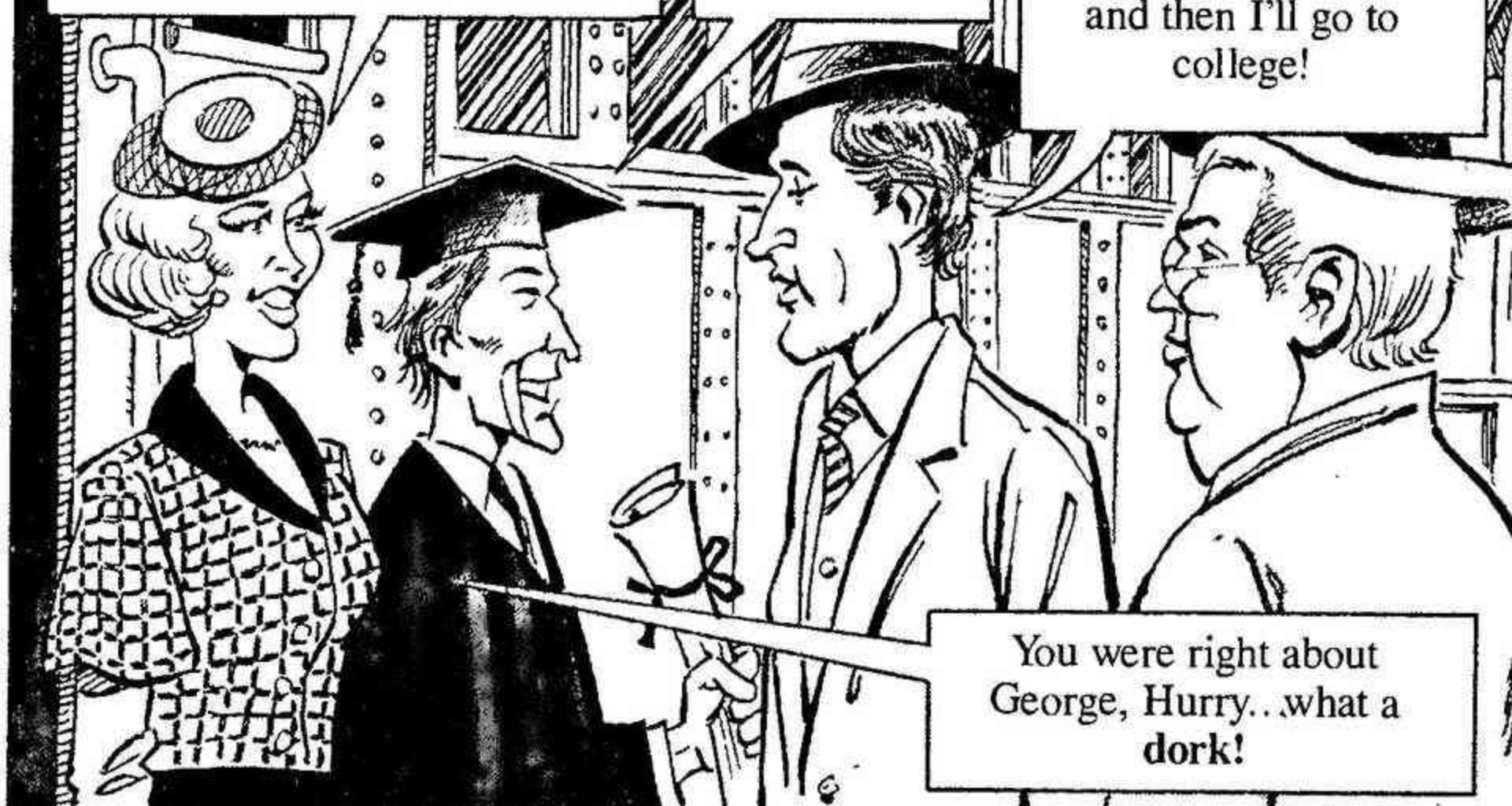
Hurry went off to college and returned four years later with a diploma and a wife!

You're married? Gee, that's great!

And my father offered Hurry a job in his plastics factory!

George, I know you thought I'd take over the business...

Don't worry about it! You can go to work for your father-in-law and when you retire in 40 years, you can take over the loan company and then I'll go to college!



You were right about George, Hurry...what a dork!

Hairy, why are you wasting your time with that loser, George Barely, when Sam Heehaw, who happens to be a millionaire, wants to marry you?

I'm sorry, Mom, but I'm going to marry George!

You are? Gosh, Hairy, you're a...

A dork!



George and Hairy were married...

I might not be rich, but we're going to have a swell honeymoon! We'll stay at one of those fancy places like Motel 6! I got all this money saved up and all those deposit bottles!

Look at all those people outside!



They probably just want to congratulate us!

So how come they're smashing down the door?!



Old man Rotter started a rumor that the loan company didn't have enough cash on hand to cover it's deposits...this started a run on the company!

We want our money!

I don't have that much cash on hand! I lent it to all of you so you could buy decent homes for your families!

Give us our money now!

George, let's use our honeymoon money!

That's a great idea! Okay, everybody, line up...tell me how much you want! Don't bother to fill out any slips...I trust you!





George and Hairy barely saved the Barely Loan Company. They settled down and had three kids. Then the war broke out, George tried to enlist, but was turned down for terminal klutzyness!

George, I enlisted in the toughest, most patriotic outfit in the world!

You joined the paratroopers?

No, tougher!

The Marines?!

No, I joined the Indiana National Guard!

Gosh, I'm proud of you, Hurray!

Hurry was assigned to a desk job and he was awarded the Medal of Honor for helping with the paperwork that is so essential in fighting a war! When the war ended, life returned to normal in Deadford Falls...

Uncle Silly, the auditors are coming today so go to the bank and deposit this \$8,000 so our books will balance!

You can count on me, George!...  
Ooops!



That whacko, Silly Barely, dropped his money! Finders, keepers...losers, weepers! Ha ha! Now their books won't balance...George will go to jail and I'll take over the business and foreclose on all those mortgages! It's going to be a Merry Christmas after all!



You lost the \$8,000?! How can you lose eight thousand dollars?!

You know what this means, don't you?

Actually, it was pretty easy! I put the money on the table while I wrote out the slip and it disappeared!

Yeah! We won't get a gift from the bank and we so need a new toaster!



Boy! What a Christmas Eve! \$8,000 lost, we didn't get a toaster, I'm going to jail, my car won't start...what else could happen...ooOOoops!



Lucky you tripped in and saved my life, George!

How do you know my name?

I know all about you, George! I'm an angel! My name is Clearance!





If you're an angel, where are your wings?

I didn't win them yet! Man, if I had wings, I wouldn't've landed in that freezin' water!

If figures I'd get an angel without wings! I wish I was never born!

I'm glad you said that! Now we can have a flashback on what life would be like if you hadn't been born!



This is Deadford Falls? Where are all the houses where my friends live?

My wife! What about my wife?!

Rotter had them all torn down and replaced with these high-priced condos! See, George, you weren't around to lend them mortgage money and you weren't around to save Hurry from drowning! Hurry never served in the National Guard and we almost lost the war!



There she is...she works in this health spa!

I don't believe it! Will you look at the way she's dressed?... and in front of strangers! We've been married for twenty years and I never saw that much of her!



Clearance, I want to go back! I want to live! I want to go back to my wife and family! ...Clearance, could you do me a favor and let my wife keep that costume?



George! We've been looking all over for you! Look at all this money!

Gee, where did it all come from?

It's wonderful to have such friends!

We donated it, George!

What friends! It was strictly a business move! Like, where else can we find a dork like you who gives no-interest mortgage loans?!



BONG

You got that right, kid! Off we go into the wild, blue yonder!!! Geronimo!

Daddy, our teacher says that every time a bell rings an angel gets his wings!





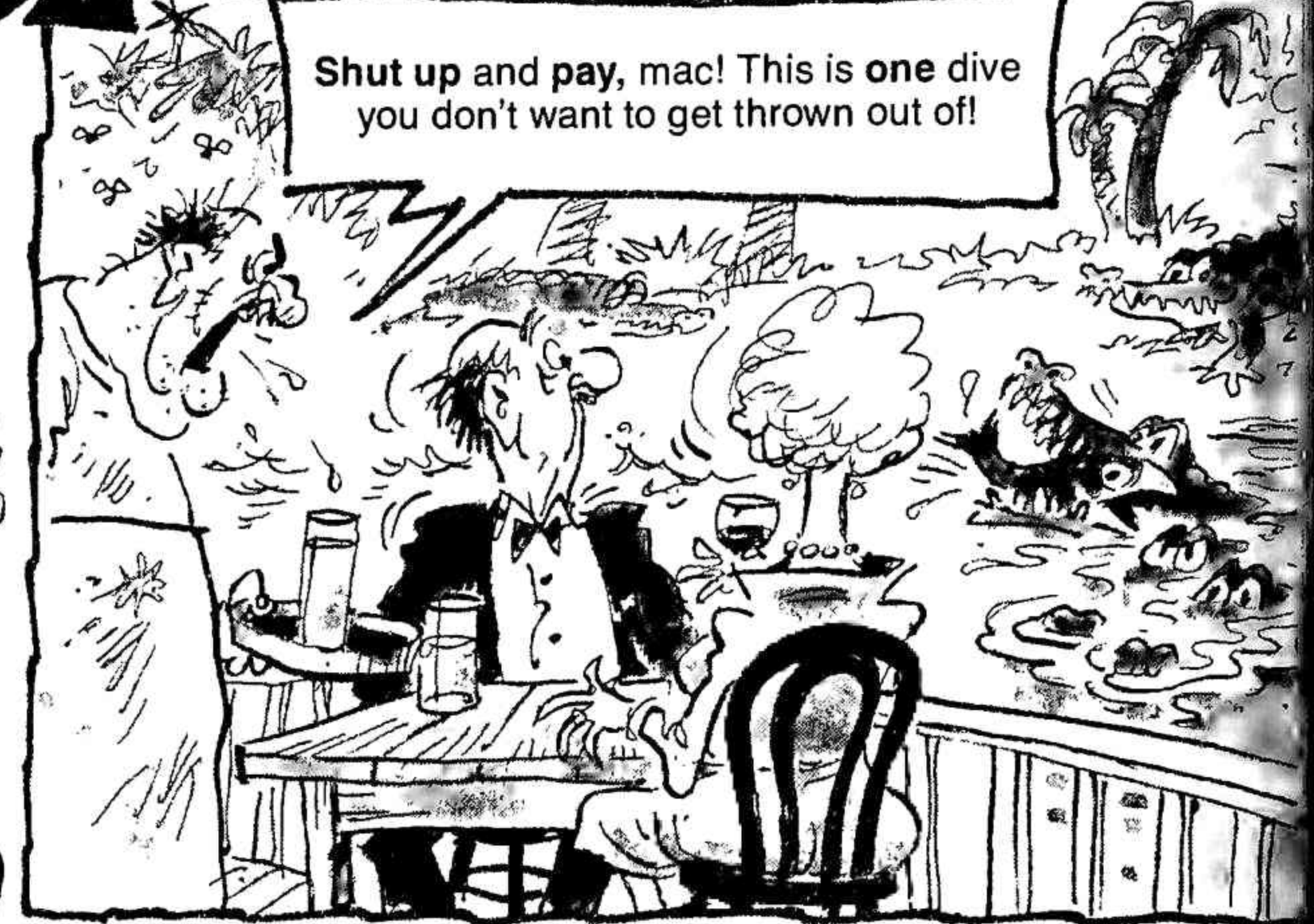
# SHUTUPS



Waiter, I refuse to pay for these watered down drinks...and besides, the service in this dive is abominable!



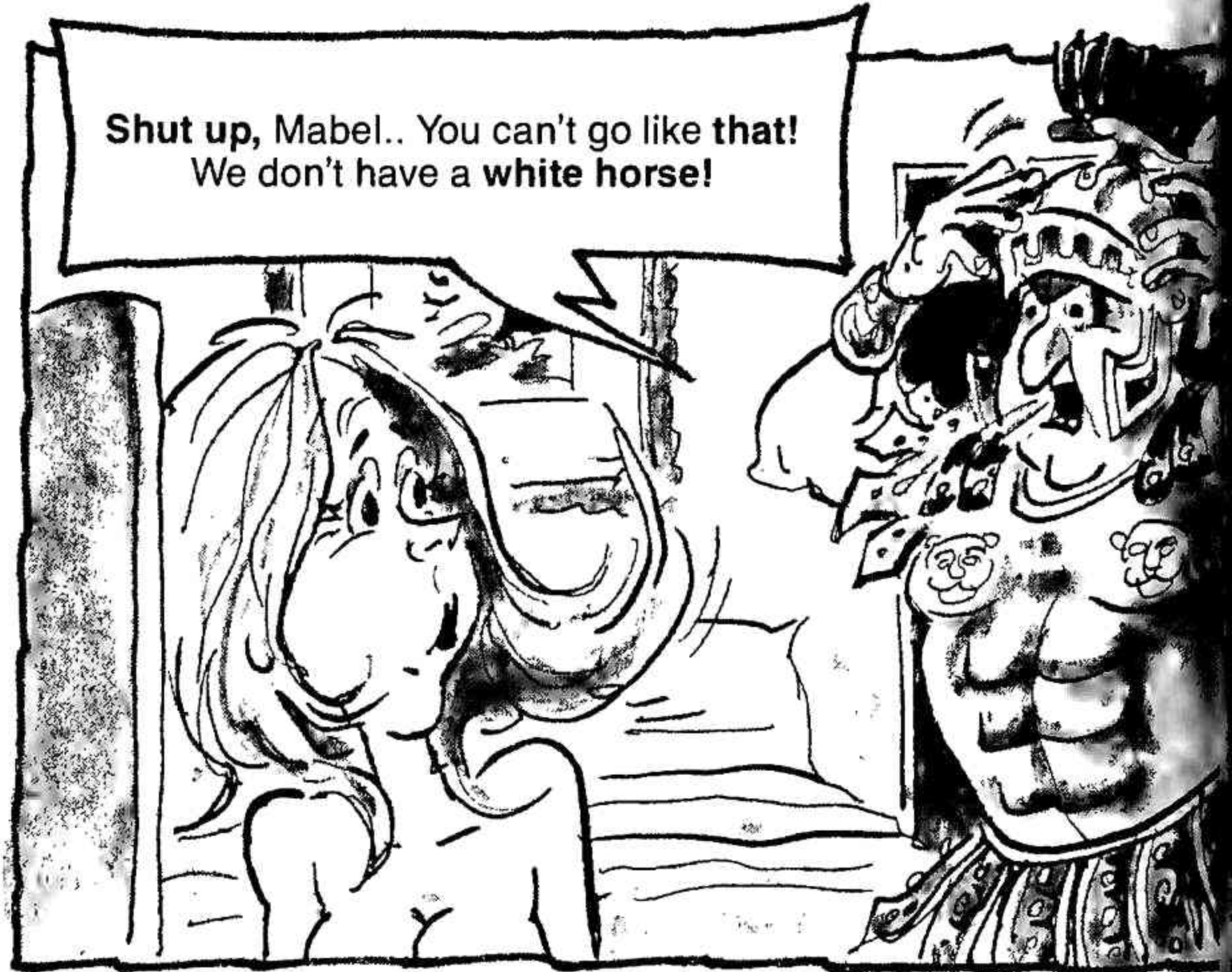
Shut up and pay, mac! This is one dive you don't want to get thrown out of!



George, I'm going to this party as Lady Godiva...



Shut up, Mabel.. You can't go like that! We don't have a white horse!



Chief Yelloweye buy his squaw fancy new rock to wash-um blanket! Squealing Boar buy his squaw fancy new rock to wash-um blanket...



Shut up, squaw! You think me made of wampum?!





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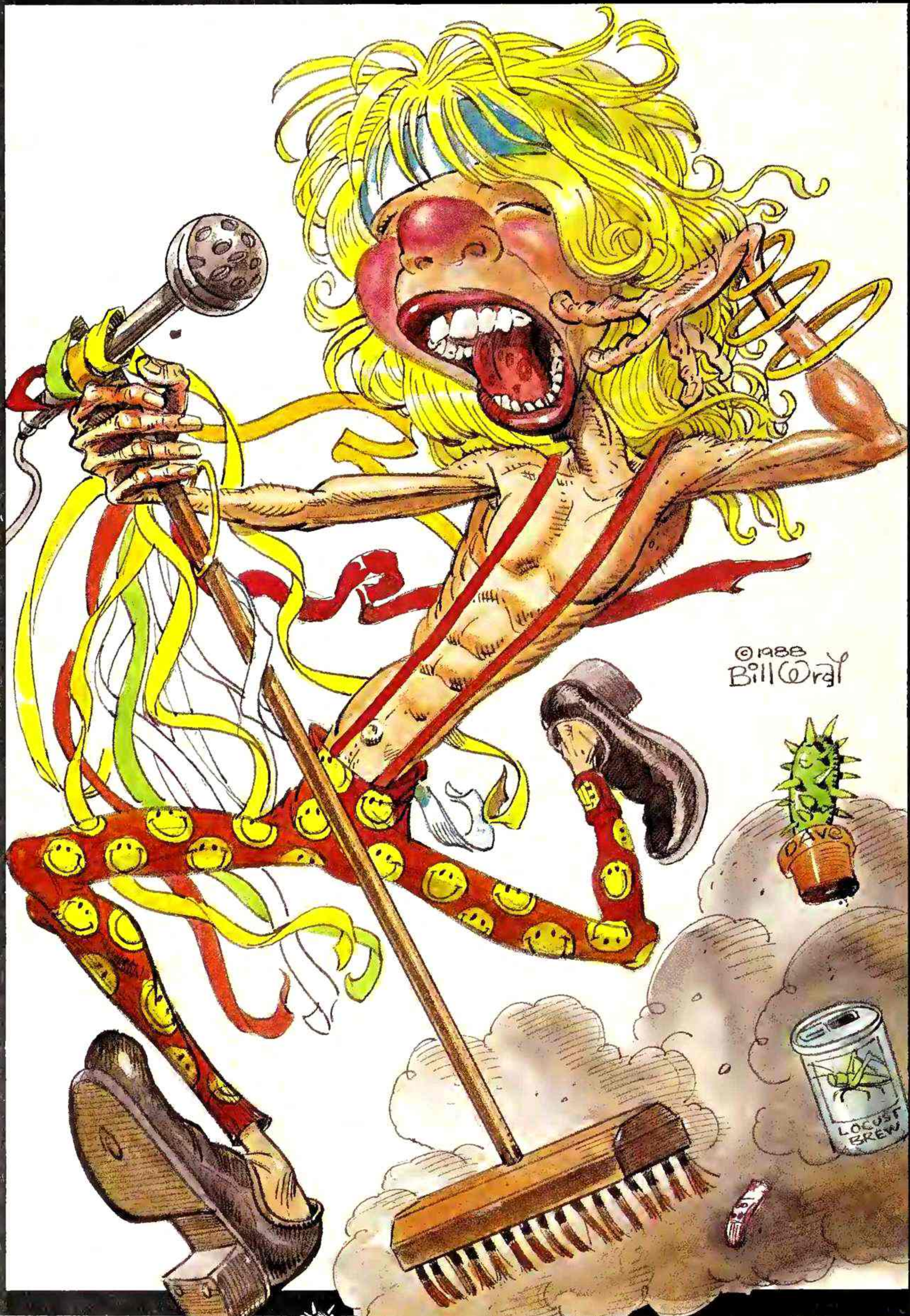
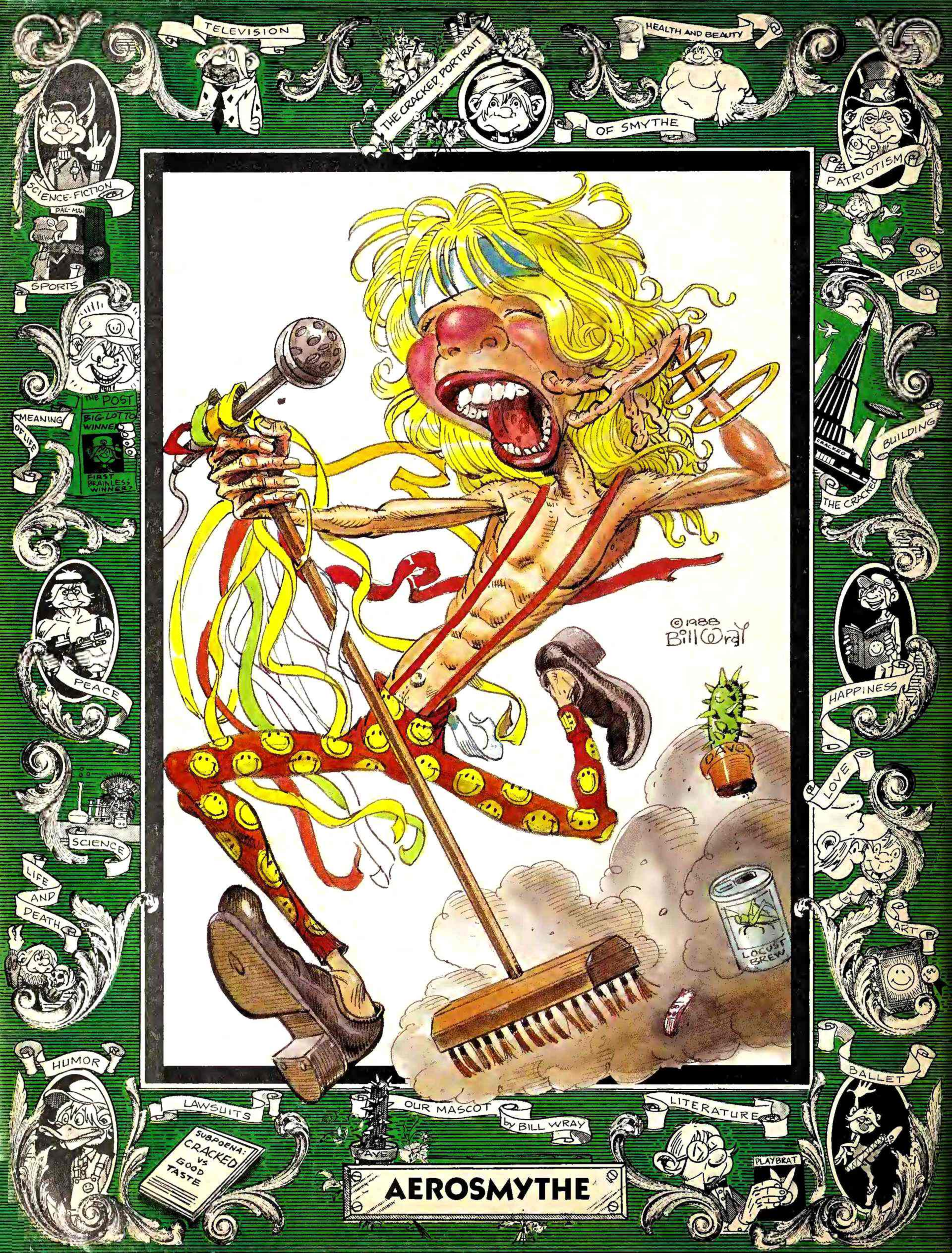
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